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PDAP plans annual New Year's Eve bash

- Free event provides alcohol-free environment.

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Teens and families looking for a safe New Year Eve's party are invited to attend the sixth annual Celebration Midland party Saturday at Midland Center.

Once again, staff with the Palmer Drug Abuse Program will host the event from 7 p.m. to midnight. The event is free and open to the public.

"A lot of people don't go out because others have been drinking, and it's not safe out there," said PDAP office manager Mary Salinas. "They would rather stay home. We want to give them a place that they can go to and take the kids to and have fun at."

Staff members said they're looking to provide a safe environment for the whole family to take part in and are expecting up to 1,000 people. The drug- and alcohol-free environment is meant to encourage those in the community and uplift the message the PDAP program enforces. There will be free games, door prizes, raffles and food at the event.

Salinas said there also will be jumper houses for young children, video games for young adults and games like a cakewalk to entertain all ages.

Live entertainment, including local bands, church choirs and a magician, also will perform, she said.

Staff members said it is important to have entertainment alternatives, and parties like this to offer the community a safe and controlled environment away from alcohol and where parents and families do not have to worry about intoxicated drivers or individuals.

"We do this mostly for the kids. I know we do it for the adults, but mainly we have the event for the kids who can't or don't go anywhere," Salinas said. "With this, they have a place to go."

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More for the closet

Donna Doyle, clinical manager for Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus, organizes Janet's Closet, a collection of toys available for children in the hospital.

Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

Janet's Closet seeking new toy donations

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Opening the doors of a tall, gray locker in an exam room, pediatrics clinical manager Donna Doyle said the department always needs new, unused toys to help stock the "closet" for incoming patients.

Named Janet's Closet in honor of former nurse Janet Ward, the locker has served as a treasure chest for children coming to Midland Memorial's West Campus hospital for treatment since the program started in 2009. A nurse takes a child who goes through a painful procedure, such as starting an IV or chemotherapy, to the closet to pick out and keep a toy, officials said.

Doyle said an average of about 30 toys are given each month to patients. They include items such as board games, puzzles, action figures and trading cards.

The most popular items, Legos and baby dolls, are always the first to go, she said, adding the hospital continually needs to replenish the closet's contents.

As the holiday season nears its end, many parents or family members may want to donate extra unused toys, and Doyle said her staff will accept them and make sure they're given to a patient.

"We appreciate everyone's donations. Even if one child appreciates it, it's why we do it," she said.

The Starlight Children's Foundation donated the first toys, and Doyle said the hospital now depends on donated funds from the Midland Memorial Foundation and volunteers to supply the

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Increase in murder tops year end crime report

- MPD expects a decrease in overall crime from 2011.

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

An increase in the number of murders headlined crime news this past year in Midland County.

The four murders during the calendar year was more than the previous two years combined (three) and four times the one murder reported in 2010. Records indicate Midland had not had more than two murders in one year since before 2007.

Despite the increase in homicides, Midland once again is poised to show a decrease in overall crime, according to Police Chief Price Robinson and FBI records.

Coming Sunday

The Reporter-Telegram will list the top 10 news and sports stories for 2011.

The latest murder occurred Dec. 23 when unidentified suspects broke into the apartment of Torvorian Carter, 25, at the Park at Caldera in north Midland shortly before 1 a.m.

Police still do not have information on the suspects in the city's fourth murder this year. The suspects broke down Carter's door and fired two shots while his wife and children slept. Neighbors said they didn't see the suspects and only heard cars driving away from the complex.

Carter was transported to the Midland Memorial Hospital where he succumbed to his wounds.

Police urge anyone with information to alert authorities or call the Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-8477.

Previous murders

Aaron Lee Evans, 37, was convicted Nov. 3 for the fatal stabbing of his brother-in-law, Jeffrey Edwards, 36, with a kitchen knife during a physical altercation. Although Evans said he never meant to kill Edwards, the pair had been in at least four separate fights before the Feb. 12

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Blood drive, Facebook page works to girl with leukemia

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Although Olivia Adkins is too young to fully grasp the severity of her condition, friends and family of the 4-year-old said they hope she understands how many people are pulling for her.

"There are a lot of good people out there that are worried about her and are helping and want her to get well," her grandfather, Keith Adkins, said. "They're praying for her and thinking about her."

Last week, Olivia was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. She started chemotherapy treatments the next day.

She had suffered some ear infections before her diagnosis, but her aunt, Maryanne Campbell, said Olivia had been an healthy kid until a few weeks ago. Then, she became ill and paramedics had to be called while at school, Campbell said.

After tests at Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth, doctors told her family the diagnosis.

"It was very sudden," Campbell said. "My family was shocked and heart broken."

Once the family members digested the news, Campbell said they knew they had to help.

Because Olivia and her twin brother, Korbin, live in Fort Worth with their mom, Campbell said she wanted to figure out a way for those in Midland to show support for her. Olivia and Korbin's father, Jimerson Adkins, lives in Midland and has been visiting the girl while she has received treatment, Campbell said.

So, Campbell put together a Facebook page.

She is using it to draw prayers for Olivia and to spread information about blood drives to support the girl. The next blood drive is planned for 1-7 p.m. Tuesday at ClayDesta Center.

Blood Drive for Olivia

It will be 1-7 p.m. Tuesday at the ClayDesta Center.

Appointments are requested, but walk-ins will be accepted. To make an appointment, contact Jennifer Larson at 432-634-6820 or jlarson@bloodsystems.org

Donated blood will go toward covering any shortfall that exists after Olivia's insurance is applied to her blood transfusion costs. Typically, donated blood counts toward a free pint for the patient.

"The blood drive is more of a way for people locally to show their support for Olivia. Of course, it will help replace the blood that she's used," said Jennifer Larson, of United Blood Services.

Larson said typically the organization takes several

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LANCASTER

6 victims receive private burial

A family friend said a man authorities say killed six family members before turning the gun on himself Christmas Day didn't like that his estranged wife was doing well.

Azar Shahbazi spoke at a news conference Thursday afternoon following the private burial of the six victims.

Authorities said 56-year-old Aziz Yazdanpanah, who had marital and financial problems, killed his estranged wife, their two teenage children, his wife's sister, his brother-in-law and his niece before turning the gun on himself at an apartment in the Dallas-Fort Worth suburb of Grapevine where his wife and children had been staying.

The brother of Yazdanpanah's wife, Ali Rahmaty, a surgeon from London, said the shooter had been unemployed for more than a decade.

WESLACO

DNA may solve 23-year-old murder case

DNA evidence taken from a double-murder in South Texas 23 years ago has led police to a man they believe may be responsible for the unsolved crime.

Weslaco Police spokesman J.P. Rodriguez said Evan and Wilda Squire were gunned down in their trailer home Nov. 13, 1988.

The sleeping elderly Canadian couple awoke to find several intruders in their home. The Squires were shot multiple times before their assailants fled.

DNA evidence taken from the crime scene was entered into a law enforcement database.

More than two decades later, the DNA of a 41-year-old man in police custody in Grand Rapids, Mich., matched.

The Monitor of McAllen reported Thursday that police declined to release the man's name but said he faces extradition to Weslaco on capital murder charges.

FORT WORTH

AMR shares to be dropped from NYSE trading

American Airlines' parent company, which filed for bankruptcy protection last month, said Thursday that its stock will be dropped from the New York Stock Exchange.

The shares will stop trading on the NYSE before the opening bell next Thursday. The delisting includes AMR common stock and some company-issued notes.

AMR Corp. said the NYSE notified the Fort Worth company of the move after the average closing price of AMR shares fell below $1 for 30 straight trading days.

The shares closed at $1.62 the day before the Nov. 29 bankruptcy filing and fell to 26 cents that day. They closed Thursday down 3 cents at 52 cents, and sank another 21 cents, or 40 percent, to 30 cents in after-hours trading.

The company said that because of its Chapter 11 filing, it could not try to "cure" the weakness in its share price, and would not oppose the delisting.

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Perry fights way back into contention

By Phillip Elliott
Associated Press

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COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa — A swaggering Rick Perry parachuted into Iowa last summer at the top of the GOP presidential field with a job-creation message, an off-the-cuff speaking style and a fledgling campaign organization. He quickly nosedived.

Lately, a more humble Texas governor has been trying to claw his way back into contention with a much different approach.

He has tailored his pitch to tea party activists and religious conservatives, replacing a bus emblazoned with "Get America Working Again" with one carrying the slogan "Faith, Jobs, Freedom." He is more disciplined and less free-wheeling when he talks with voters than he was when he suggested, on his first visit here, that the Federal Reserve chairman may be committing treason. And, he's beefed up his campaign staff with presidential veterans and targeted his travel to key conservative regions.

"I ask you to do more than just attend this rally, and I ask you to do more than just sign up for my campaign at tables in the back of this room. I ask you to brave the weather on Jan. 3," Perry pleaded during a recent stop here — his second to this conservative, western Iowa town in as many weeks. In a new TV ad, he says: "As we've traveled across the state, I've been humbled by your dedication" and asks voters for help.

Perry has repeated that plea over the past few weeks in breakfast diners, town squares and coffee shops, planting himself in parts of Iowa filled with religious voters in hopes that a retooled campaign message that sells him as the only candidate who is a Christian conservative and a Washington outsider will resonate with a chunk of the electorate that's still undecided or willing to change their minds before the caucuses Tuesday night.

"If we replace a Democratic insider with a Republican insider, do you think we're really going to change Washington, D.C.? No way," Perry says everywhere he goes. "I am the anti-establishment outsider who goes to Washington with a sense of purpose. And that purpose is to make Washington, D.C., as inconsequential in your life as I can make it."

Another staple: "I defended traditional marriage and protected the unborn children, including signing a budget that defunded Planned Parenthood and they closed down 12 of their abortion clinics in the state of Texas." His pitch is peppered with anti-Washington rhetoric and references to his faith, and he always quotes the Bible at the end.

Perry's even gone so far as to switch his position on abortion. He told a pastor one day that he had undergone a "transformation" and now opposes abortion in cases of rape and incest. A day later he clarified his stance, saying he would allow the legal procedure only if the pregnancy threatened the woman's life.

It's unclear whether Perry's unabashed pitch to conservatives and tea party backers will help him rise high enough in the coming days to finish in the top three in the Iowa caucuses, typically the threshold candidates must meet to prove they are viable. His challenge is steep, given that he's fighting for the same slice of the Iowa electorate as several rivals, Michele Bachmann and Rick Santorum among them.

But unlike them, he has money.

The roughly $5 million Perry has spent on advertising since late October — combined with heavy spending from a super PAC that supports his candidacy —— may be paying dividends. He seems to be running slightly stronger in public and private polls than he has in months. Perry's final push got the help of an additional $865,000 in television advertising from Make Us Great Again, a pro-Perry political action committee that has spent more than $1 million in Iowa.

January date set for Perry's Va. ballot appeal

Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Gov. Rick Perry has a January court date in his bid to have his name added to Virginia's Republican presidential primary ballot.

Perry, who failed last week to obtain the needed signatures to get on the March 6 ballot, is seeking a court order to have his name added to the two-candidate March 9 primary. By law, the ballots must be printed by Jan. 9.

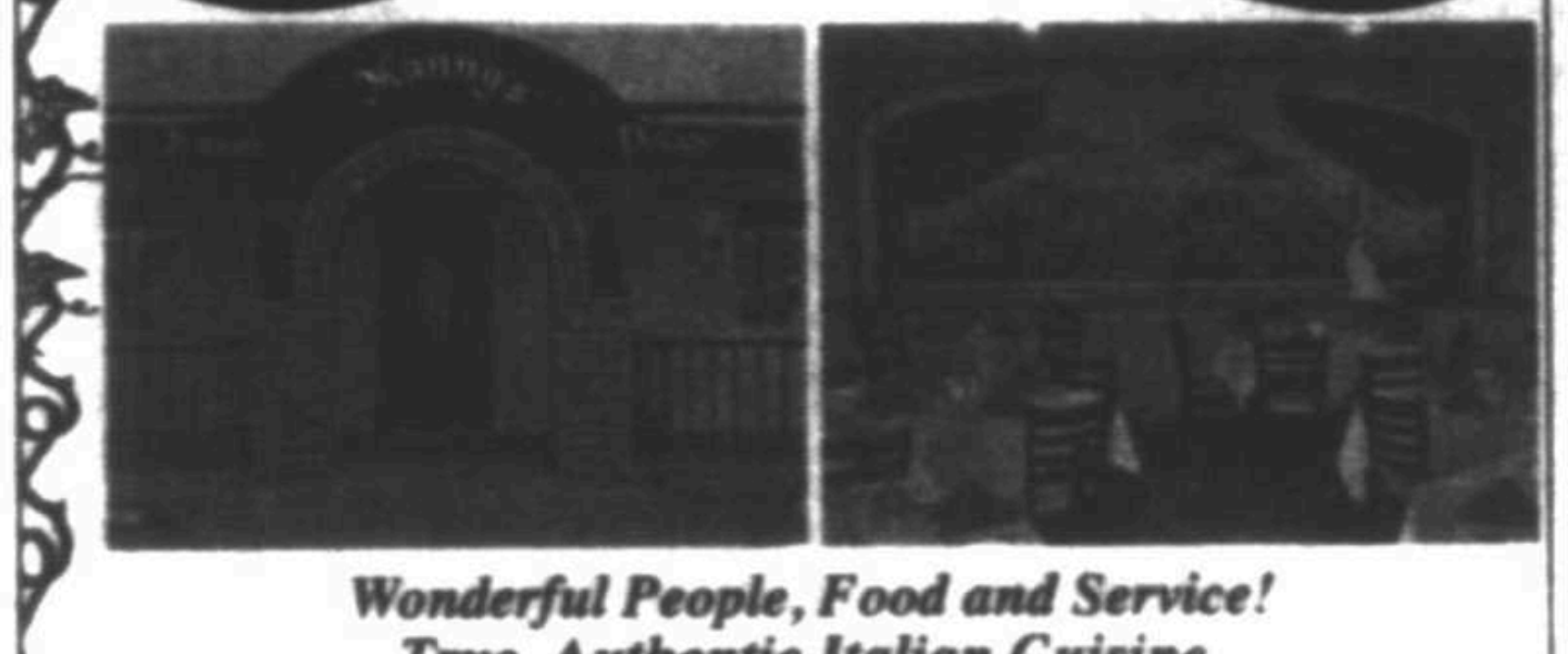
On Thursday, U.S. District Judge John A. Gibney scheduled a hearing for a preliminary injunction for Jan. 13. He said that if Perry prevailed, Virginia might have to do another printing of the ballot, the Richmond Times-Dispatch reported.

Perry and Newt Gingrich failed to win a place on the Virginia ballot last week. Both fell short of gathering the required 10,000 signatures of registered voters, with 400 from each of the state's 11 congressional districts.

Perry said "overly burdensome and unconstitutional requirements" prevented him from collecting enough signatures to be certified as a candidate. He submitted 6,000 signatures on the Dec. 22 deadline.

He also challenges the part of Virginia's law that says signatures must be gathered by a state resident, claiming that the requirements "restrict the number of message carriers" and even prevents him from soliciting signatures for his own campaign.

Perry also had asked the court to block the state Board of Elections from drawing names to determine placement on the ballot, but that occurred on Wednesday.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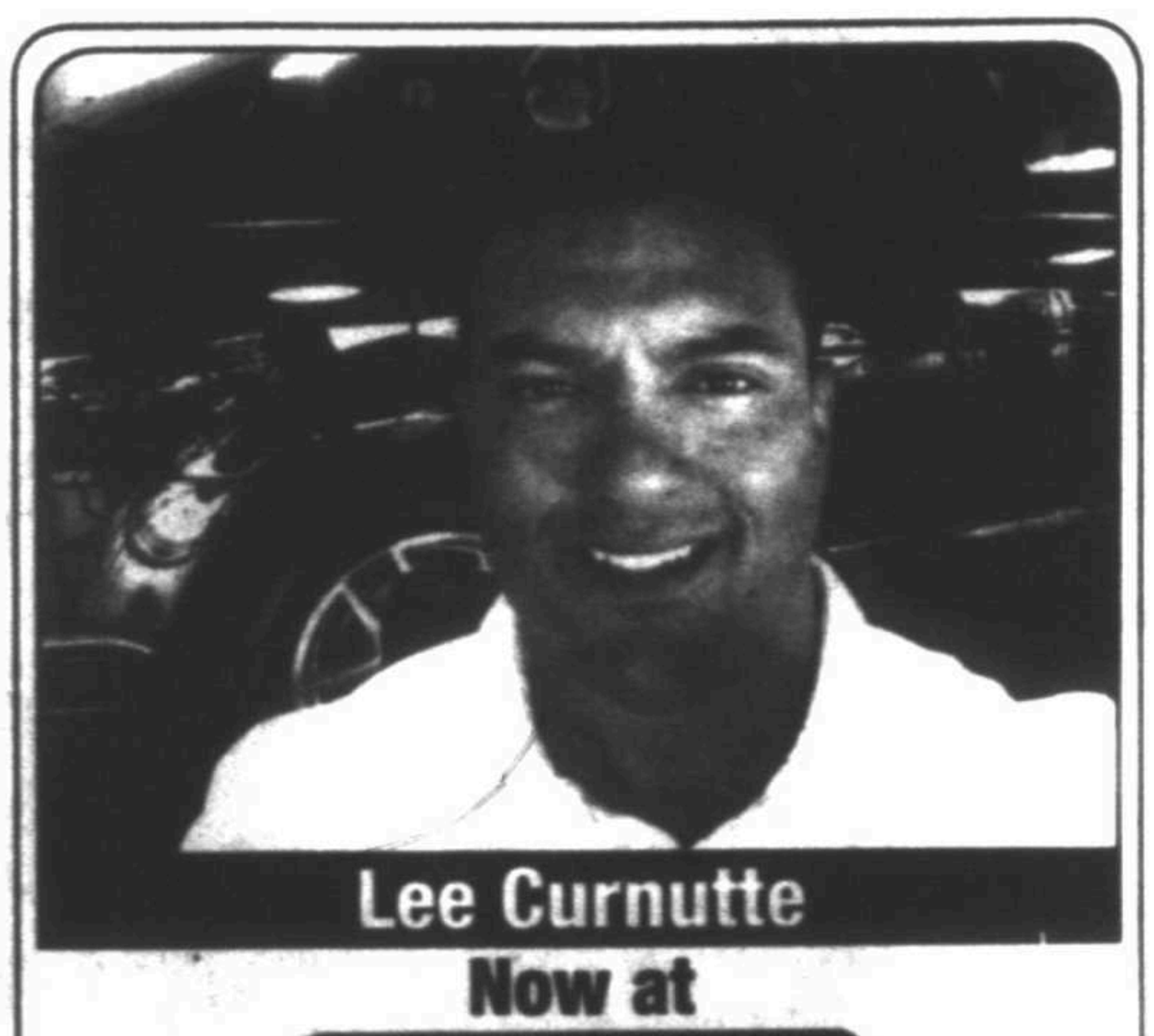
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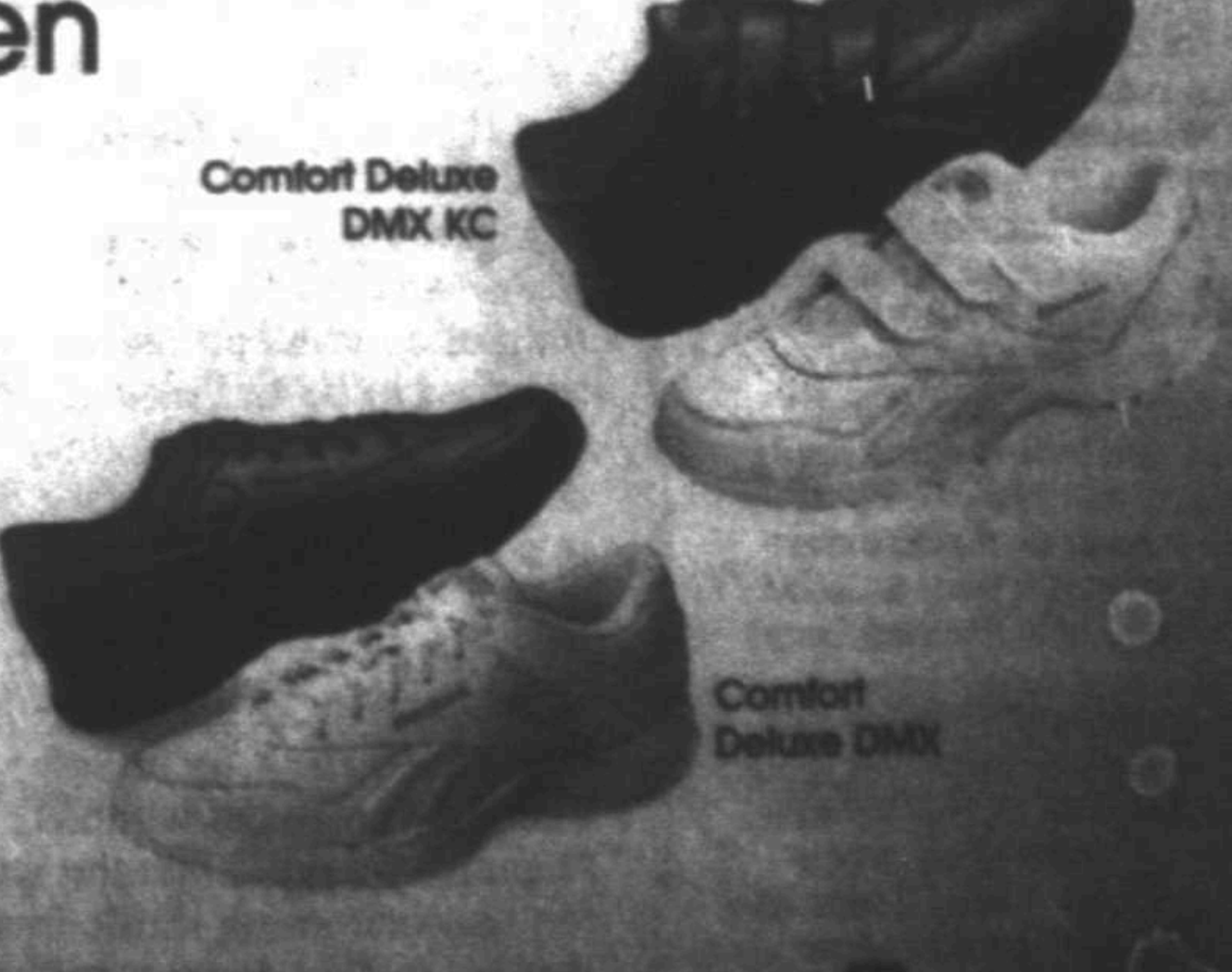

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■ Byron Johnston Holiday Basketball Tournament at Chap Center. Girls championship at 3:30 p.m. Boys championship at 5 p.m.

■ Ultimate Calf Roping at the Horseshoe

■ Comedy night at the Velvet Room at Midtown Hotel, 3100 W. Wall St. Tickets: $10.

New Year's Eve possibilities

■ Coy Moore Band, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Horseshoe. For more info: 682-1300.

■ The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave. The Electric Gypsies, party favors. Guaranteed reserved seating is $50 and at the door cover is $25. For more info: 685-1757

■ Hilton Midland-Plaza Mahogany Lounge, 117 W. Wall St. DJ Joe, dancing. Starts at 9 p.m. $10 cover. For more info: 683-6131

■ Hilton Midland-Plaza Crystal Ballroom, 117 W. Wall St. Live band: Roland Z, dancing. Starts at 9 p.m. $10 cover. For more info: 683-6131

■ Palmer Drug Abuse Program's sixth annual Celebration Midland is 7 p.m.-midnight Saturday at Midland Center. The alcohol-free New Year's Eve event features entertainment, food and door prizes. Admission is free.

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According to the city's Drought Contingency plan, the watering schedule is:

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Government holidays and closures

■ City of Midland offices will be closed Monday in observance of New Year's Day. There will be no trash pickup on Monday. The landfill will close at 2 p.m. Saturday. Trash pickup and landfill hours will resume Tuesday.

■ The Midland County Public Library hours are shortened this week. It will close at 6 p.m. through today.

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Military man returns home

Lance Cpl. Rene Casillas returned to Midland on Thursday after completing a tour of duty in Afghanistan. Casillas is a graduate of Midland High School. He and his wife, Ashley, have a daughter, Faith Amalia Casillas. His parents, Jose and Josie Casillas, and his grandparents, Francisco and Guadalupe Pizarro, also are from Midland.

Casillas will return to Camp Pendleton in California after his break.

Source: Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 3-2-3
Pick 3 night: 4-5-3
Daily 4 day: 9-0-9-8
Daily 4 night: 1-7-1-3
Cash Five: 16-17-20-32-37
Texas Two Step: 13-21-24-31
BB: 11

Today in history

Today is Friday, Dec. 30, the 364th day of 2011. There is one day left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Dec. 30, 1936, the United Auto Workers union staged its first "sit-down" strike at the General Motors Fisher Body Plant No. 1 in Flint, Mich. (The strike lasted until Feb. 11, 1937.)

On this date:

In 1853, the United States and Mexico signed a treaty under which the U.S. agreed to buy some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico for $10 million in a deal known as the Gadsden Purchase.

In 1903, about 600 people died when fire broke out at the recently opened Iroquois Theater in Chicago.

In 1922, Vladimir I. Lenin proclaimed the establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

In 1972, the United States halted its heavy bombing of North Vietnam.

Five years ago: Iraqis awoke to news that Saddam Hussein had been hanged; victims of his three decades of autocratic rule took to the streets to celebrate. A state funeral service was held in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda for former President Gerald R. Ford.

Today's Birthdays: Baseball Hall-of-Famer Sandy Koufax is 76. Singer Davy Jones is 66. TV host Meredith Vieira is 58. "Today" show co-host Matt Lauer is 54. Radio-TV commentator Sean Hannity is 50. Sprinter Ben Johnson is 50. Golfer Tiger Woods is 36. NBA player LeBron James is 27.

Judge blocks low-carbon fuels rule

Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — A federal judge blocked California from enforcing its first-in-the-nation mandate for cleaner, low-carbon fuels on Thursday, saying the rules favor biofuels produced in the state.

The lawsuit challenging the state regulations, which were adopted as part of California's landmark 2006 global warming law, was filed in federal court last year by a coalition that includes the National Petrochemical & Refiners Association and the Consumer Energy Alliance.

Fresno-based U.S. District Court Judge Lawrence O'Neill's written ruling Thursday said the low-carbon fuel rules violated the U.S. Constitution's commerce clause by discriminating against crude oil and biofuels producers located outside California.

Out-of-state fuels producers hailed the decision as a win for California drivers.

"Today's decision ... struck down a misguided policy that would have resulted in even higher fuel costs for Californian consumers while increasing the cost of business throughout the state," Consumer Energy Alliance Executive Vice President Michael Whatley said.

The board plans to ask the judge to stay the ruling, and appeal if necessary to the San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, spokesman Dave Clegern said.

The rule is "an even-handed standard that encourages the use of cleaner low carbon fuels by regulating fuel-providers in California," Clegern said, adding that it "does not discriminate against any fuels on the basis of geography."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Benjamin O. Benson, 24, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies on a charge of assault against a public servant.

Jeffery H. Bowman, 22, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

Brandy G. Carr, 34, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of evading arrest in a motor vehicle.

Joshua E. Clark, 31, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Jeremy T. Dickson, 31, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by 441st Judicial District Court officials on a charge of burglary of a habitation with intent to commit another felony.

Selena B. Enriquez-King, 34, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

Andres M. Gomez, 28, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of burglary of a building.

Paul C. Lee, 24, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Drew A. Nickason, 26, of Odessa, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Cody S. Ridenour, 24, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland County deputies on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Amber D. Thomas, 24, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday by Midland police on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

CLOSET

From 1A

toys.

The toy program is similar to Andrea's Closet, a nonprofit organization based out of Arizona and named after 10-year-old Andrea Brunk, who died from leukemia.

The Midland program was named for Ward, who began her career at MMH in 1981 and worked on the hospital's pediatric unit until she died in November 2004. She was an early survivor of Hodgkin's disease and understood how it felt to be both a patient and a nurse, MMH staff said.

Ward's husband and two children visited the hospital last week and donated several toys in honor of Janet, as they do every year, Doyle said. A group from Crestview Baptist Church also dropped off several toys that members collected this holiday season.

Before the program was founded, Doyle said staff members gave teddy bears to the children. She said the closet has served as a big boost with the number of toys. She said officials are looking at ways to expand and have a bigger closet.

Doyle asks for unused toys for children from toddler age to teens. Donations can be dropped off on the third floor at the Davidson Pediatric Center at MMH West Campus, 4214 Andrews Highway.

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MONOPOLY
Yahtzee
scene it?

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Janet's Closet is a collection of toys available for children who are undergoing painful procedures at Midland Memorial West Campus. The children can choose a toy to take home with them.

Pair arrested for allegedly defrauding an elderly man

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

A man and a woman remain in custody Thursday after they were arrested for allegedly defrauding an elderly man.

Jeffery H. Bowman and Amber D. Thomas: Police have charged the pair with defrauding an elderly man. Read their affidavits online at www.myWestTexas.com.

Jeffery H. Bowman, 22, and Amber D. Thomas, 24, are both being held on third-degree felony charges of forgery of a financial instrument with the victim older than 65.

Midland police began investigating the pair after an 84-year-old man reported his checkbook was stolen from his vehicle sometime on Dec. 21. The man told detectives that people unknown to him authored eight checks illegally, according to the pair's arrest warrants.

During the course of the investigation, a detective noticed two checks were made out to Thomas, totaling $685. The detective pulled her mug shot from the county system. The detective also positively identified Thomas as the one who cashed the checks at a bank with corroborating video surveillance footage.

Another check was made out to Bowman for $425. Other checks were made out to 7-Eleven, totaling $322.58, and to Walmart for $270.58, according to the warrants.

When the detective went to interview Thomas, he found her driving near her residence. After searching the vehicle, detectives located the victim's stolen checkbook, a forged check made out to Thomas and one blank check.

Thomas then was transported to the Midland Police Department for an interview where police said she confessed to cashing the checks. She said Bowman approached her at a party and said he would give her gas, cash and food if she cashed the forged checks. Thomas added that Bowman would drive her around while she attempted to cash them, but Bowman also attempted to cash several of the checks himself.

Both are being held on a $30,000 bond at the Midland County Central Detention Center. If convicted of the third-degree felonies, each could serve up to 10 years in prison.

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2nd vehicle smashes into same house

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — A Tennessee National Guardsman had his Christmas Eve interrupted by news that a vehicle had smashed through his house — in the exact same spot another one did nearly two years ago.

In February 2010, a runaway construction truck had run into Doug Edmisten's house when he was home from Iraq for his son's birth, The Knoxville News Sentinel reported.

Edmisten said he, his wife and their son were visiting family when his neighbor called and said, "Merry Christmas. There's a van in your house."

LEUKEMIA

From 1A

months to plan a blood drive, but this one was organized in a few days. It already has received interest from numerous donors.

"I know there's a lot of people out there who want Olivia to know how much they care," she said.

Keith Adkins said he has been floored by the Facebook support. In addition to spreading news about the blood drives, peolpe also have donated to help Jimerson Adkins travel to see Olivia as frequently as he can, he said.

Others have made donations directly to Cook Children's Hospital, which can apply funds toward a patient's bill or toward the hospital's foundation.

"It's awesome. It just kind of shows the power of Facebook," Keith Adkins said. "A lot of people knock Facebook because people put their petty business on there, but if it can save one life, it's worth all the petty business."

Acute lymphoblastic leukemia is a cancer of the bone marrow and blood that progresses quickly if not treated. It is the most common form of leukemia among children younger than 19, and it accounts for 27.5 percent of all cases, according to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Survival statistics for the disease keep improving, the society said. The majority of those diagnosed before age 19 will become at least five-year survivors.

Olivia will continue chemotherapy treatments, and Campbell said doctors said the family will know their effectiveness by week 29.

Keith Adkins said he is eager to see Olivia grow up to become a giving adult who mirrors the hundreds who are so supportive of her.

"When she grows up, she should model that same behavior. Not even when she grows up. When she's growing up," he said.

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CRIME

From 1A

stabbing. It took jurors less than two hours to convict Evans on charges of first-degree murder. He was sentenced to prison for 60 years.

Stephen Craig Whitworth, 21, of Del Rio, and Paul Curtis Lee, 24, of El Paso, are awaiting trial in Midland for the murder of Christopher Aaron Easley and the stabbing of an unidentified woman believed to be Easley's girlfriend on June 6. Midland County deputies found Easley face down in a mesquite bush next to several drag marks on South County Road 1210 about 6:27 a.m. June 6. Authorities were alerted to the incident by the woman, who suffered multiple stab wounds. Deputies reported that the woman ran into oncoming traffic in an attempt to flag down a motorist. The girlfriend was treated at Midland Memorial Hospital and later released, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office. Whitworth and Lee are still in custody on first-degree felony murder charges and second-degree felony charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. The pair are both being held on $1.25 million bonds.

Christopher Marchel Hill, 24, was arrested for allegedly murdering Jeremy Jerome Johnson, 28, at a residence in the 900 block of North Weatherford Street on Sept. 18. Witnesses said the two had been involved in an argument earlier that day and that Hill came back to the residence and walked through the front screen door and into the living room with a black, semiautomatic gun in his hand. He then allegedly shot Johnson several times while he was sitting in the living room, the affidavit states. Johnson was taken to Midland Memorial Hospital, where he died from his injuries. U.S. marshals found Hill in Florida on Sept. 29. He was then transported back to Midland to await trial. He is currently being held on a $1 million bond.

Crime rates

Midland police again are reporting a drop in crime rates, as the 2011 first quarter report shows the lowest levels since 2007. This year's numbers reflect the lowest crime statistics over the previous four years with reductions in forcible rape, burglary and larceny, and it represents a 19 percent decrease in total crimes from 2010, according to the FBI's January through March 2011 Uniform Crime Report.

Robinson said he attributes the success to MPD's partnership with the community and a job well done by officers and detectives.

"We had a good drop in crime last year, and we're aiming to keep up this trend," Robinson said.

He also said new technological advancements, such as web-based crime mapping, public service announcements and the campaign to keep car doors locked have a played an important role in helping the community know about problems and how to avoid becoming a victim.

Another area that had seen success last year was MPD's partnership with Midland Crime Stoppers. MPD reported a 35 percent increase in arrests from tips from the public, which also played a part in decreasing the crime rates in Midland.

Robinson said in previous interviews that police typically can't be proactive against murders because they are usually crimes of passion.

The FBI will publish the complete set of crime statistics for 2011 early next year.

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Iowa voters hold sway over how president is chosen

By Mike Glover
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — All across Iowa next Tuesday, tens of thousands of Republican voters will travel through a chilly Midwestern night to the warmth of a local church or gymnasium for caucus meetings to select presidential candidates, the first voting in the 2012 election campaign.

These Midwestern, mostly white voters hardly resemble America as a whole, and their voting system puzzles most people. Yet Iowa holds substantial sway over how the nation chooses the president.

"Iowa will choose the next president of the United States in their early caucuses," Republican hopeful Michele Bachmann said recently. "This is the cannon shot."

The caucuses — essentially community meetings — have served as a launching pad to the nomination, and often to the White House, for the past 40 years, though they've been around since the 1840s. Candidates tend to lavish attention on Iowa, hoping that a good showing will give them a burst of publicity to improve their chances in New Hampshire, which votes Jan. 10, and in other early voting states.

It's this contest that helped propel Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore to their parties' nominations in 2000. It also helped Democrat John Kerry become Bush's challenger in 2004. And, the caucuses gave Democrat Barack Obama his first win in 2008. Although Mike Huckabee won on the Republican side, he was not the eventual GOP nominee, John McCain.

The caucus process seems arcane and mysterious, even to people in Iowa. That is in part because most people don't even participate. About 359,000 people — 17 percent of registered voters in Iowa — showed up for Democratic and Republican caucuses in 2008. Turnout certainly will be lower this year because Obama is unopposed. The GOP turnout may not exceed the record-setting 120,000 attendees that the party's contest saw four years ago.

Caucuses are held in all of the state's 1,774 voting precincts, some in remote spots where only a handful of voters gather, others in big community centers or schools that host several precincts under one roof. In all, Republicans will gather in about 800 locations.

This relatively small number of voters, and their overwhelmingly white makeup, routinely bring Iowa's caucuses under attack by outsiders who want more clout for their own states. Only 5 percent of Iowa's electorate is Hispanic and only 3 percent is black, compared with a national electorate that is 16 percent Hispanic and 12 percent black.

For their part, Iowans jealously guard their first-in-the-nation nominating contests.

While both parties in Iowa use the caucus system to choose candidates, Republicans and Democrats go about things differently.

For the GOP, the caucuses are simply a straw poll, meaning the results are not binding. While Democrats use the caucuses to choose delegates who are expected to support their favored candidate, Republicans handle that later at county and district conventions.

After electing a temporary chair to run the meeting and a secretary to record the proceedings, any Republican who chooses can briefly speak in favor of a candidate. Ballots then are passed out and participants mark their choices in private. Those ballots are counted quickly and the results called into party headquarters, where they are posted online as they are received.

Any Republican voter can participate, including those who register when they arrive at the event. People too young to vote can also take part if they will be 18 by the general election.

Democrats, when there are multiple candidates, take a more convoluted approach.

Democrats break into preference groups at their caucuses, publicly declaring which candidate they favor. Candidates must get support from 15 percent of those attending the caucus in order to receive votes. Once they break into those groups, activists try to attract those whose candidates have fallen short of the 15 percent threshold.

After the results are reported to party headquarters, the numbers are run through a formula that changes the value of votes based on a county-by-county analysis of Democratic performance in the last gubernatorial and presidential elections.

"The Republican caucuses and Democratic caucuses are two different beasts," said Democratic strategist Phil Roeder. "In the big picture, it makes for a very different result."

Need help avoiding hangover? Less booze, more H2O

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Attorney Colleen Gorman has a holiday ritual that doesn't involve buying presents or counting down to midnight: She goes online to look for new hangover remedies she hasn't tried.

She already has scratched off those big "prevention" pills, vitamins and chugging sports drinks, along with more quirky folk remedies including peanut butter sandwiches.

"My fiancé says I should probably just drink less," said Gorman, 28, of Chicago.

Experts say that's good advice for everyone.

"The only way to prevent a hangover is to not get drunk," said Boston University researcher Jonathan Howland.

That might be too radical a remedy for many revelers, but it's the only one proven to work. Still, there are strategies that can soften the blow.

Topping the list? Don't drink on an empty stomach, said Sam Zakhari, director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism's metabolism and health effects division. Food helps absorb alcohol and delay its toxic effects on the body.

Drinking plenty of water before, during and after also helps because alcohol can dehydrate the body.

Kim Khan teaches at the American Professionals Bartending School in Villa Park, Ill., and devotes a class to serving responsibly. That includes encouraging bar patrons to drink water. Khan, who also tends bar, said alternating drinks with glasses of water helps and is a method she uses "because I've been doing this way too long."

Some people think choosing clear alcohols is safer because darker-colored drinks contain more compounds called congeners. That is based on an unproven theory that those compounds cause the body to make toxins that upset the stomach and cause other hangover symptoms, said Howland, a researcher in the emergency medicine department.

But no one really knows what causes hangovers, which makes preventing them a challenge, Howland said.

He's hoping to find a clue in his research into why some people don't get hangovers. About 1 in 4 drinkers never feel yucky after overindulging. In Howland's lab, that includes study subjects given normally "intoxicating" doses — about six beers for men and five for women.

That may seem enviable, but Howland said those 25 percenters also may be more likely than the rest of us to become alcoholics.

Some experts think hangover symptoms are caused by toxins from methanol after the body breaks down the ethanol alcohol in booze. That's why some people swear by "the hair of the dog" — more alcohol the next day. But Howland said if that helps, it only delays the inevitable.

The list of purported remedies for preventing or treating hangovers includes a witch's brew of products, including milk thistle, honey, bitters and soda, Pedialyte, cranberry juice and Tabasco sauce. None has been scientifically proven to work, Howland said.

Brian Chui, a 23-year-old Los Angeles publicist, said he's tried a lot of them, but so far, "nothing works that great for me." This year, Chui said he may try new anti-hangover pills combining aspirin and caffeine that his friends have been touting.

Zakhari, the government expert, said the product may or may not be harmful, but could give drinkers "a false sense that 'I can drink as I wish because I have the cure.'"

Some people think popping a couple of Tylenol tablets after a night of drinking will help prevent hangover symptoms, but experts warn that can be dangerous. Both alcohol and acetaminophen, the active ingredient in Tylenol, are broken down in the liver, and taking them together can cause irreversible liver damage.

The risk of combining the two is small in a healthy person taking a recommended dose of Tylenol. But Zakhari said aspirin and ibuprofen are safer alternatives to treat hangover-related ills, and the best advice is to avoid Tylenol for a couple of days after drinking because even some healthy people may be vulnerable.

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Opinion

What to make of the silence in the universe?

■ Intelligence "may be the most cursed faculty in the entire universe." Because as we seek it elsewhere, we still attempt to contain it here on Earth.

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

Huge excitement. Two Earth-size planets found orbiting a sun-like star less than a thousand light-years away. This comes two weeks after the stunning announcement of another planet orbiting another star at precisely the right distance — within the so-called "habitable zone" that is not too hot and not too cold — to allow for liquid water and therefore possible life.

Unfortunately, the planets of the right size are too close to their sun, and thus too scorching hot, to permit Earth-like life. And the Goldilocks planet in the habitable zone is too large. At 2.4 times the size of Earth, it is likely gaseous, like Jupiter. No earthlings there. But it's only a matter of time — perhaps a year or two, estimates one astronomer — before we find the right one of the right size in the right place.

And at just the right time. As the romance of manned space exploration has waned, the drive today is to find our living, thinking counterparts in the universe. For all the excitement, however, the search betrays a profound melancholy — a lonely species in a merciless universe anxiously awaits an answering voice amid utter silence.

That silence is maddening. Not just because it compounds our feeling of cosmic isolation. But because it makes no sense. As we inevitably find more and more exo-planets where intelligent life *can* exist, why have we found no evidence — no signals, no radio waves — that intelligent life *does* exist?

It's called the Fermi Paradox, after the great physicist who once asked "Where *is* everybody?" Or as was once elaborated: "All our logic, all our anti-isocentrism, assures us that we are not unique — that they *must* be there. And yet we do not see them."

How many of them should there be? Modern satellite data suggest the number should be very high. So why the silence? Carl Sagan (among others) thought that the answer is to be found, tragically, in the high probability that advanced civilizations destroy themselves.

In other words, this silent universe is conveying not a flattering lesson about our uniqueness but a tragic story about our destiny. It is telling us that intelligence may be the most cursed faculty in the entire universe — an endowment not just ultimately fatal but, on the scale of cosmic time, near instantly so.

This is not mere theory. Look around. On the very same day that astronomers rejoiced at the discovery of the two Earth-size planets, the National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity urged two leading scientific journals not to publish details of lab experiments that just created a lethal and highly transmittable form of bird flu virus, lest that fateful knowledge fall into the wrong hands.

Wrong hands, human hands. This is not just the age of holy terror but also the threshold of an age of hyper-proliferation. Nuclear weapons in the hands of half-mad tyrants (North Korea) and radical apocalypticists (Iran) are just the beginning. Lethal biologic agents may soon find their way into the hands of those for whom genocidal pandemics loosed upon infidels are the royal road to redemption.

And forget the psychopaths: Why, just 17 years after Homo sapiens discovered atomic power, those most stable and sober states, the United States and the Soviet Union, came within inches of mutual annihilation.

Rather than despair, however, let's put the most hopeful face on the cosmic silence and on humanity's own short, already baleful history with its new Promethean powers: Intelligence is a capacity so godlike, so protean that it must be contained and disciplined. This is the work of politics — understood as the ordering of society and the regulation of power to permit human flourishing while simultaneously restraining the most Hobbesian human instincts.

There could be no greater irony: For all the sublimity of art, physics, music, mathematics and other manifestations of human genius, everything depends on the mundane, frustrating, often debased vocation known as politics (and its most exacting subspecialty — statecraft). Because if we don't get politics right, everything else risks extinction.

We grow justly weary of our politics. But we must remember this: Politics — in all its grubby, grasping, corrupt, contemptible manifestations — is sovereign in human affairs. Everything ultimately rests upon it.

Fairly or not, politics is the driver of history. It will determine whether we will live long enough to be heard one day. Out there. By them, the few — the only — who got it right.

OUR VIEW

Midland's giving spirit tops laurels from 2011

Laurels from 2011

■ **To those who give.** The conservative people of Midland often take an unfair beating, including from our own elected officials, when it comes to wanting low taxes and wanting to decide for themselves how to spend their money. We feel the spotlight should be put on what they do when given the choice. Recently, including the year 2011; the philanthropic spirit again elevated Midland to a status few communities our size enjoy. We see it across the community with the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, the new addition to Midland Christian School, the hospital tower (which included more than $60 million in private contributions), new church building projects, the PetSmart Charities' Adoption Center and other animal care facilities, the Bush Tennis Center, the United Way campaign and the millions of dollars dedicated every year to favorite nonprofits. We commend Midlanders for their giving.

■ **To James Beauchamp, Jami Owen and those who helped with the Fix 349 project.** We learned in 2011 that a grassroots movement can have an impact in West Texas. Midlanders rightfully weren't satisfied with the Texas Department of Transportation's plans for Highway 349 from Midland to Lamesa, and an effort to change those plans was born. Beginning with a website (Fix349.com), this community and its leaders followed through to make change happen. The reward will be an expanded 349 that was long overdue.

■ **Ryder Warren.** In 2011, real leadership again was on display as Midland ISD's superintendent communicated with Midland's citizens about the district's challenges (including the budget, sex ed and teen suicides) and potential solutions. Yes, there is unfinished business as 2012 approaches, but we have faith Warren will articulate the problems the district faces in terms of facilities and provide enough time to have a fair discussion about what is best for the community.

■ **Christi Craddick.** We were excited to hear of Craddick's candidacy for the Railroad Commission. After meeting the daughter of state Rep. Tom and Nadine Craddick, we are eager to see how she fares on the campaign trail. While we expect to talk all Railroad Commission candidates and possibly endorse later, we can say right now, having two commissioners (Commissioner David Porter is the other) with ties to Midland and two who understand the needs of the oil and gas men and women in the Permian Basin would be a huge plus.

Arrows from 2011

■ **Mother Nature.** The weather has put the city, region and state through the ringer in 2011. In Midland, the National Weather Service will have recorded new standards, including warmest calendar year and driest 12-month stretch (which ended in October). We only can hope 2012 is kinder to a region desperate for a break.

■ **Gov. Rick Perry.** We probably are going to be accused of piling on (considering the Texas Monthly cover), but Republicans in Midland and West Texas have to be disappointed so far with Perry's performance on the campaign trail. Here, in Midland, many contributed their resources in a leader we haven't seen to this point in places like Iowa and New Hampshire. Perry has failed to live up to the expectations that come with being a front-runner and with being the governor of the second-largest state for more than a decade.

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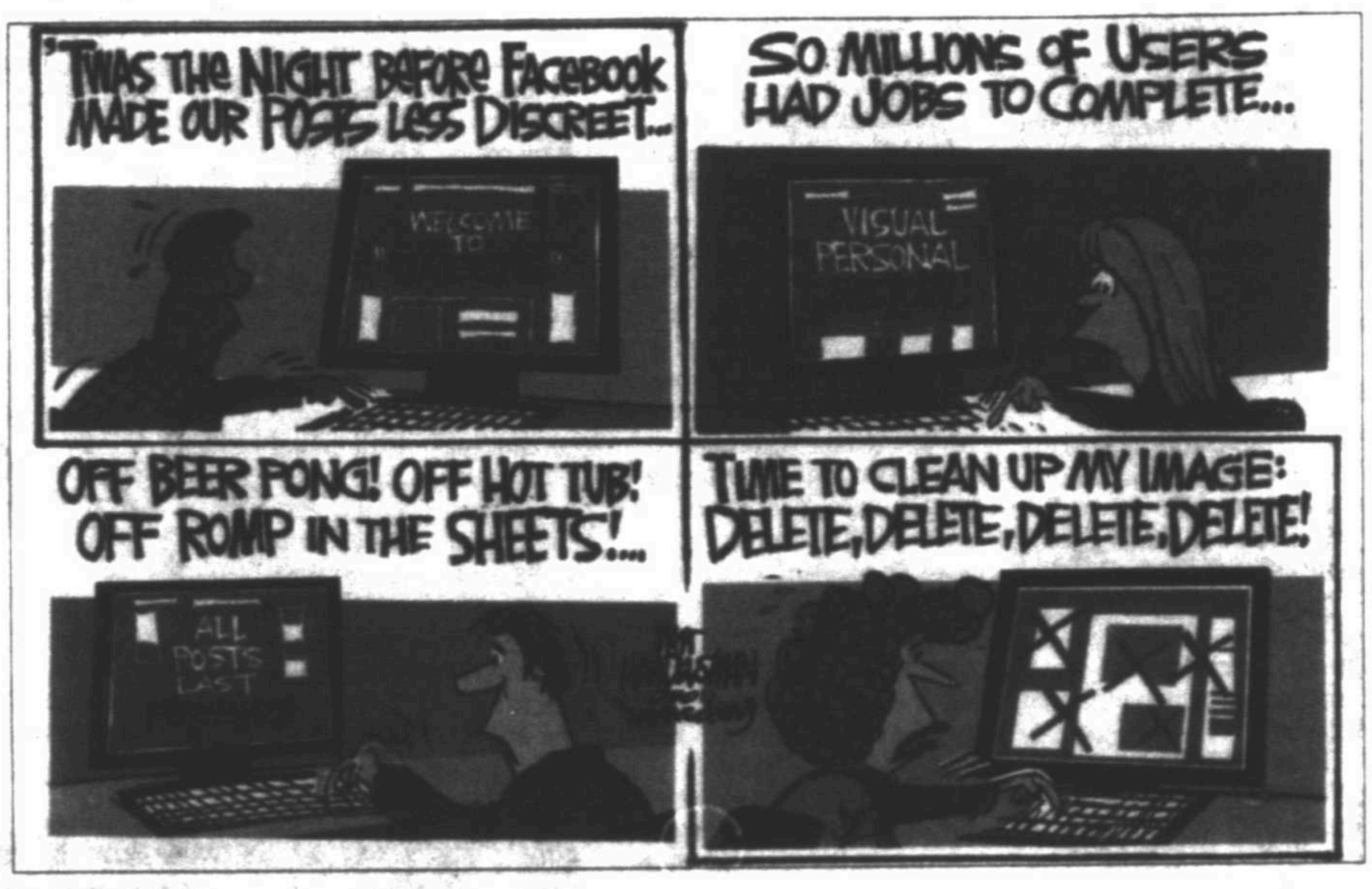
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Justice Department's identity problem

■ Obama's administration rejected a South Carolina voting ID law. Which state is next?

CAL THOMAS
Tribune Media Services

Is there, or should there ever be, a point when a state is no longer penalized for its discriminatory past?

Not according to the Department of Justice, which last Friday rejected a South Carolina law that would have required voters show a valid photo ID before casting their ballots.

Justice says the law discriminates against minorities. The Obama administration said, "South Carolina's law didn't meet the burden under the 1965 Voting Rights Act, which outlawed discriminatory practices preventing blacks from voting." Why South Carolina? Because, the Justice Department contends, it's tasked with approving voting changes in states that have failed in the past to protect the rights of blacks.

Are they serious?

There are two African-Americans representing South Carolina in the U.S. House of Representatives, One is Tim Scott, a freshman Republican. The other is 10-term Rep. James Clyburn, the current assistant Democratic leader. There are numerous minority members of the S.C. state legislature and Gov. Nikki Haley who is Indian-American.

This is not your grandfather's South Carolina. This is not the South Carolina of the then-segregationist and Dixiecrat presidential candidate Strom Thurmond. Yesterday's South Carolina had segregated schools, lunch counters, restrooms and buses and a dominant Democratic Party. Today's South Carolina is a modern, integrated, forward-looking, dual-party state.

If Justice thinks proving who one is by showing valid photo ID discriminates against minorities, how does it explain the election of so many minority legislators? Are only whites voting for them?

Democrats, especially, should be sensitive to states and people who have demonstrated that they have changed. It was the Democratic Party of the late 19th century that resisted integration throughout the South, passing Jim Crow laws that frustrated blacks who wanted to vote. Those were Southern Democrats who stood in schoolhouse doors, barring blacks from entering. Today, many members of that same party refuse to allow poor minority students to leave failing government schools as part of the school voucher system because they, apparently, value political contributions from teachers unions more than they value educational achievement.

The South Carolina law that offends the Justice Department anticipated objections that some poor minorities might not have driver's licenses (and certainly not a passport) because they might not own cars. So the state will provide free voter ID cards with a picture of the voter on it. All someone has to do is prove who they claim to be. A birth certificate will do nicely. A utility bill can be used to prove residency.

Not requiring a voter to prove his or her citizenship and residence is a recipe for voter fraud. Democrats like to accuse Republicans of trying to keep minorities from voting because they know most will vote for Democrats. Even if that were true (and it's debatable) the reverse is probably truer. Some Democrats allegedly have encouraged people to vote who were not eligible, some more than once. Without a valid ID, how can we stop this?

The Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law has compiled a list of new voter identification laws passed this year. In addition to the one in South Carolina, all require some form of photo identification. Will Justice go after all of them, as well?

According to the Brennan Center, a new law in Kansas, effective Jan. 1, 2012, requires a photo ID, with certain exceptions such as a physical disability that makes it impossible for the person to travel to a government office to acquire one, though they must have "qualified for permanent advance voting status..."

A new Texas law, which was set to take effect on Sept. 1, requires a photo ID in order to vote, or another form of personal ID card issued by the Department of Public Safety.

Even historically liberal Wisconsin passed a new law this year requiring voters to prove who they are, in most cases with a photo ID.

Haley and South Carolina Rep. Joe Wilson vow to fight the Justice Department ruling. They should. Photo IDs are required when flying on commercial aircraft or cashing a check. That discriminates against no one. Neither does requiring people to prove who they are before voting, unless, of course, there's another agenda, like "stuffing" the ballot box.

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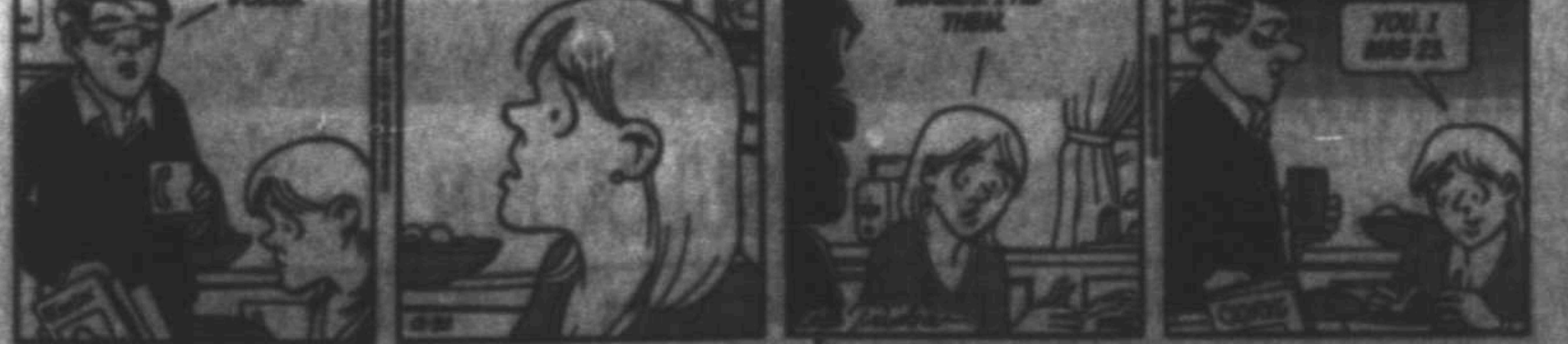
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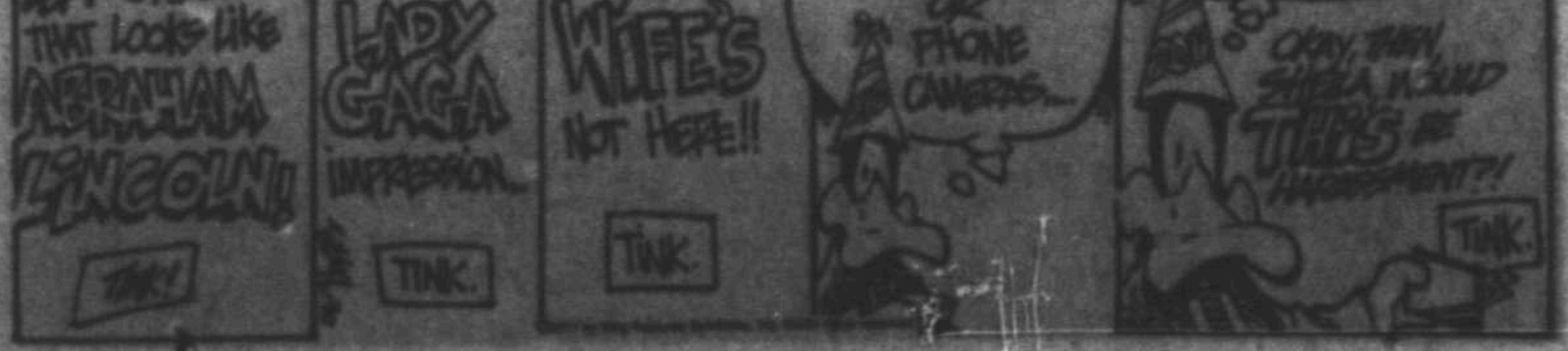
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NOW, HERE'S MY LADY GAGA IMPRESSION...
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I'VE NEVER MUCH LIKED OFFICE PARTIES OR PHONE CAMERAS...
...BUT THEY REALLY DO COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER NICELY...
OKAY, THEN, SHEILA WOULD THIS BE HARASSMENT?!
TINK.

For Iran, cost of closing strait may outweigh gain

Associated Press

CAIRO — With missile batteries, fleets of attack boats and stocks of naval mines, Iran can disrupt traffic through the Strait of Hormuz but probably cannot completely shut down the world's most important oil route, military analysts say. The question for Iran's leadership is whether it is worth the heavy price.

Trying to close the strait would bring down a powerful military response on Iran's head from U.S. forces in the Gulf and turn Tehran's few remaining international allies against it.

That Iran is making such dire threats at all illustrates its alarm over new sanctions planned by the U.S. that will target oil exports — the most vital source of revenue for its economy. Iran's leaders shrugged off years of past sanctions by the U.S. and United Nations, mocking them as ineffective. But if it cannot sell its oil, its already-suffering economy will be sent into a tailspin.

"It would be very, very difficult for Iran even to impede traffic for a significant period of time," said Jonathan Rue, a senior research analyst at the Washington-based Institute for the Study of War. "They don't have the ability to effectively block the strait."

What the Iranians can do, Rue and other analysts said, is harass traffic through the Gulf — anything from stopping tankers to outright attacks. The goal would be to panic markets, drive up shipping insurance rates and spark a rise in world oil prices enough to pressure the United States to back down on sanctions.

The strait would seem to be an easy target, a bottleneck only about 30 miles across at its narrowest point between Iran and Oman.

Tankers carrying one-sixth of the world's oil supply pass through it, from the fields of petro-giants Iran and its Gulf Arab neighbors, exiting the Persian Gulf into the Arabian Sea and on to market. They move through two 2-mile-wide shipping lanes, one entering the Gulf, one exiting.

In recent years, Iran has ramped up dramatically its navy, increasing its arsenal of fast-attack ships, anti-ship missiles and mine-laying vessels. Its elite Revolutionary Guards boasts the most powerful naval forces, with about 20,000 men, with at least 10 missile patrol boats boasting C-802 missiles with a range of 70 miles and a large number of smaller patrol boats with rocket launchers and heavy machine guns, according to a recent report by Anthony Cordesman at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

The navy has three submarines and an unknown number of midget subs, capable of firing "smart" torpedoes or laying mines. It also has a large scale capability for laying mines using both small craft and commercial boats, according to the report.

The Revolutionary Guard also has deployed a heavy array of anti-ship Seersucker missiles with a range of up to 60 miles along its coast overlooking the strait, on mobile platforms that make them harder to hit.

The Guard's naval forces and the regular navy "have been the most favored service. The Iranian air force and ground forces have not seen the same level of attention in domestic procurement and weapons systems," Rue said. "They realize their navies are the best options for inflicting casualties" on the U.S. or Arab Gulf nations.

Still, those forces likely would not be enough to outright seal the strait, given the presence of the U.S. 5th Fleet based in the Gulf nation of Bahrain. On Wednesday, Pentagon spokesman George Little warned that any "Interference with the transit or passage of vessels through the Strait of Hormuz will not be tolerated."

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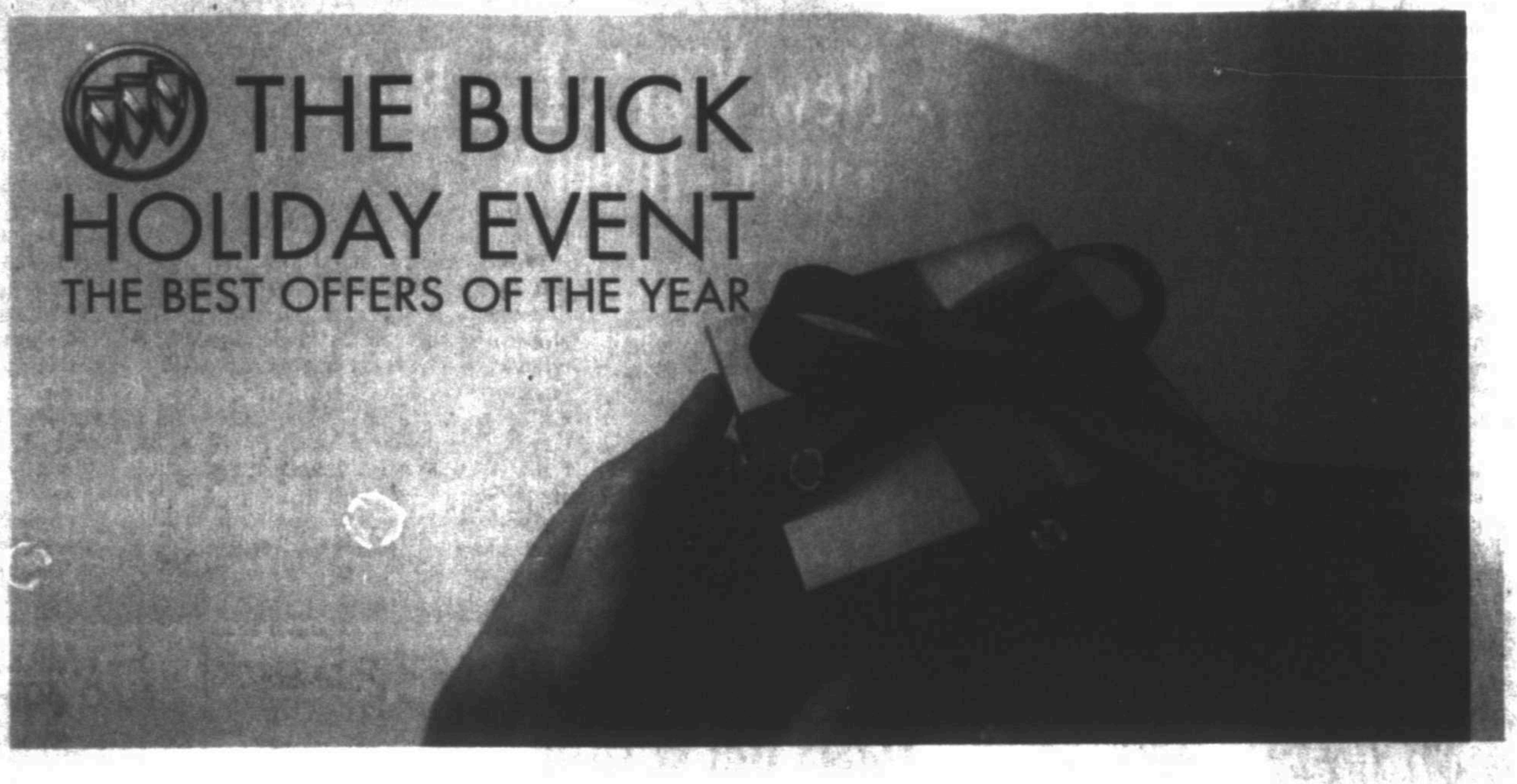

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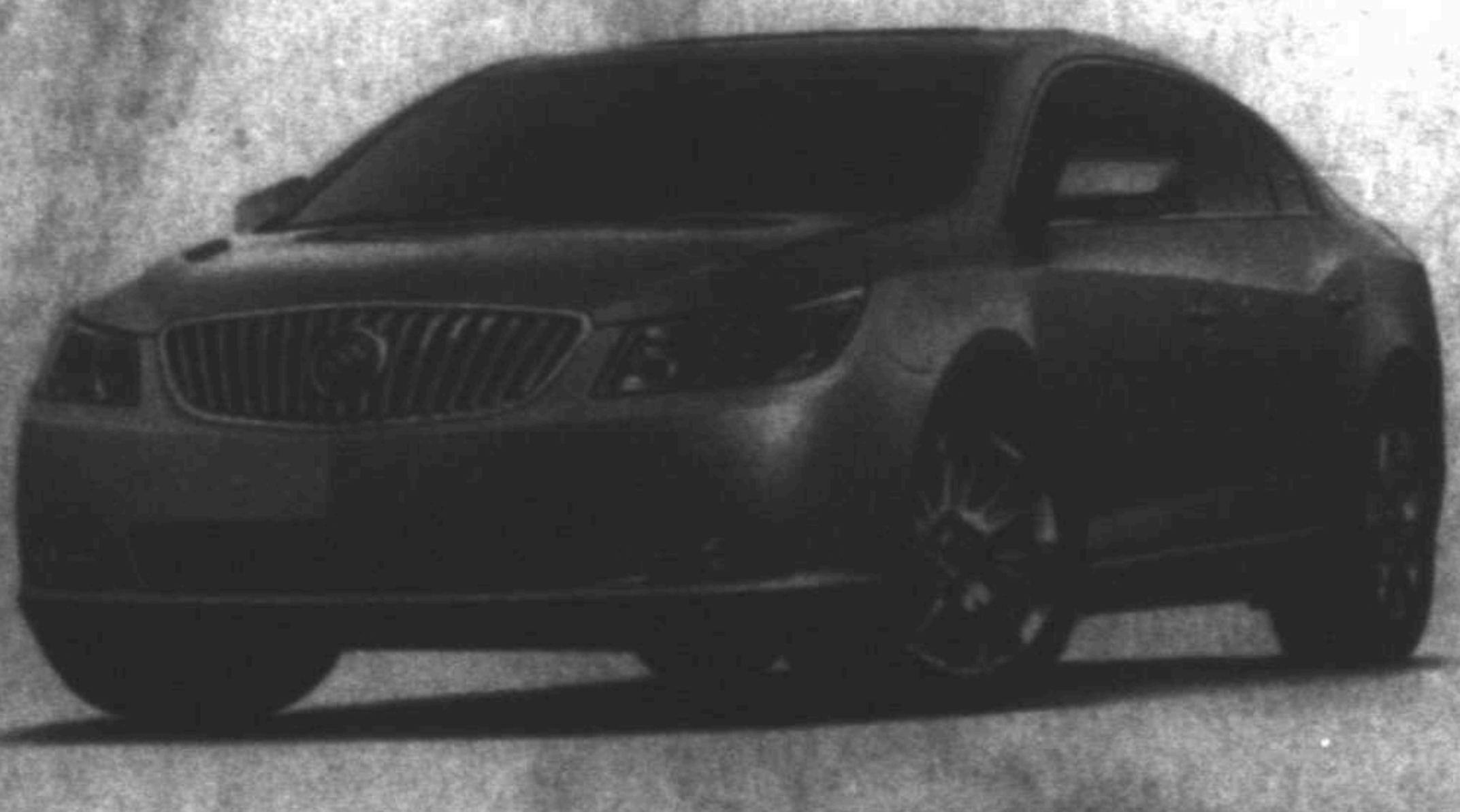

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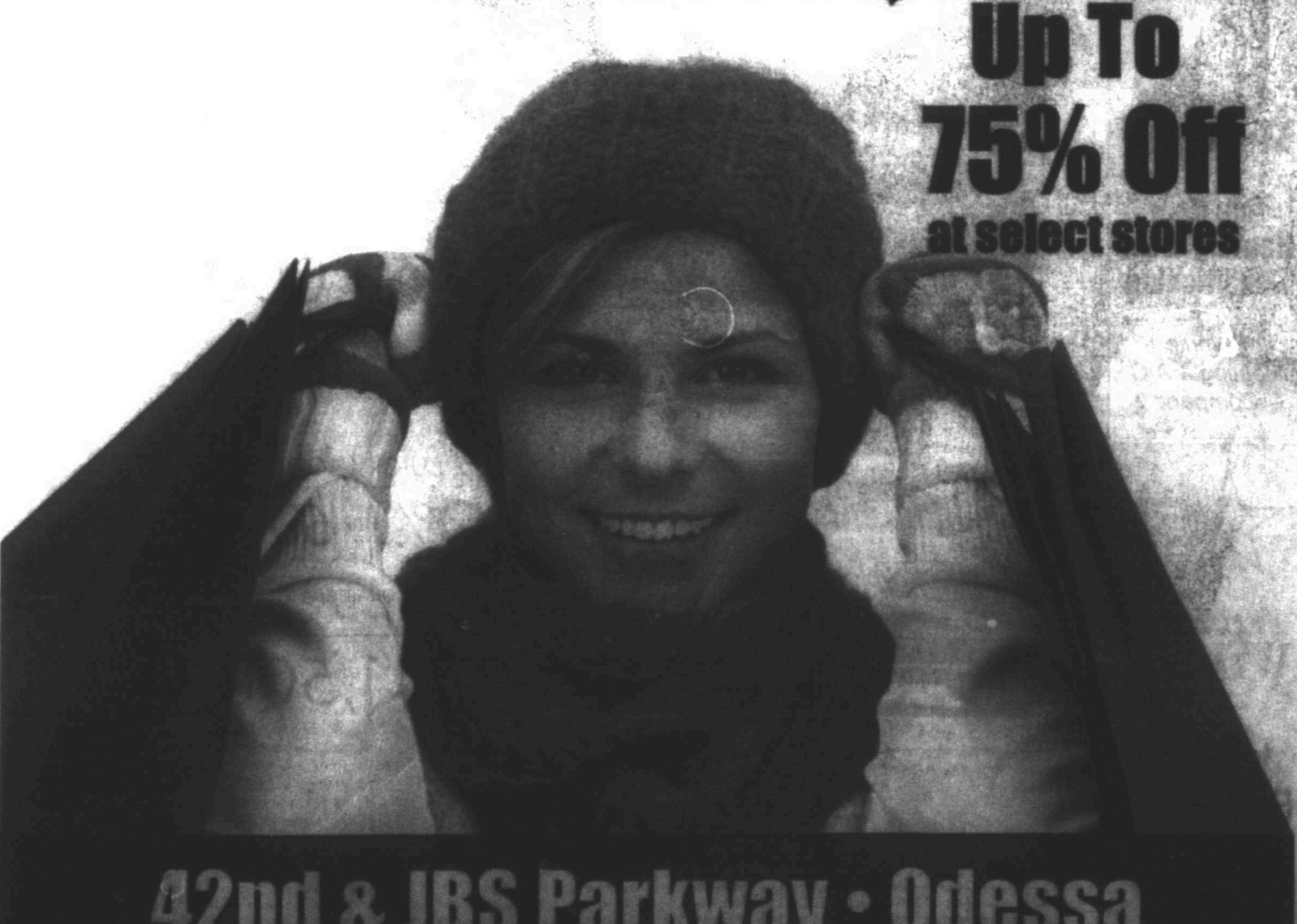

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Parishes adapt to Roman Missal revisions

By Sara Higgins
Staff Writer

Advent marks a change in season for churches waiting to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but this year it also brought a new change to the way Catholics celebrate Mass.

Changes to the Roman Missal, the official prayer book used at Mass, came into effect Nov. 27, the first Sunday of Advent for English-speaking parishes around the world. The revisions brought new English translations from the original Latin that affect prayers both priests and their parishes have used for decades.

One such revision includes the congregation's response to the greeting, "The Lord be with you" from "and also with you" to "and with your spirit," which is a literal translation of the Latin "et cum spiritu tuo."

The changes to the Roman Missal were created over a span of more than 10 years through study and consultation by U.S. Catholic bishops, and aim to reflect more closely the original Latin translation of the prayer book, according to Bishop Michael Pfeifer of the Diocese of San Angelo. The Latin standard first was permitted to be translated to different languages during the Second Vatican Council in the 1960s.

"As time went on, we found out that the (English) translation could have been better expressed," Pfeifer said. "We're not changing any doctrine of the Church; we're changing some of the prayers — the way they're expressed to English from the Latin."

A lot of preparation and teaching came along with the changes so they wouldn't come as a surprise to priests and their congregations, Pfeifer said

Most of the changes affect the officials presiding over a service, with a few changes in the prayers of those in attendance, Pfeifer said.

"What has changed for me is that some of the prayers I knew by memory in the past, I now have to make sure I have the book in front of me to make sure I'm reading the right prayer," he said.

Some of the new language used in the text has brought new vocabulary to parishes. Catholics now recite in the Nicene Creed that Jesus is "consubstantial with the Father," instead of "one in Being with the Father." Though the newer, literal translation from the Latin was unfamiliar to many churchgoers, Catholic officials believe it better reflects the meaning behind the proclamation.

"When you do that, the references to the scriptures and the references to our theological beliefs become more clear," said Msgnr. Larry Droll, priest of St. Ann's Catholic Church. Droll had been celebrating the Mass the same way for 38 years, he said, and finds himself paying careful attention to the new readings.

St. Ann's prepared for the changes not only through classes for adults and high school youth, but also through informational bulletin inserts and singing practice before weekend Masses.

"Our people have responded very positively," he said. "I notice a new attentiveness to the prayers at the Mass."

The changes in Mass also have allowed the church to explore different style of worship, such as the use of chant, which

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Hello
Shawnna

A group of Army wives and girlfriends, top right, discuss a topic during a meeting of an independent prayer group Dec. 15 in Clarksville, Tenn. A number of such groups are helping those waiting at home deal with the strain of long deployments on families with an emphasis on faith and fellowship. TOP LEFT Mary Benedict, left, compares answers with fellow Army wives and girlfriends during an icebreaker game in Clarksville, Tenn. ABOVE Shawnna Combes, left, and Niki Cole listen to a song during a meeting Dec. 15.

Kathy Waters-Grayson/AP

spiritual SUPPORT

Military wives turn to Bible for support, advice

By Kristin Hall
Associated Press

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — With husbands deployed or off preparing for war, some young wives at this sprawling Army installation have spent much of their marriages so far alone.

Faced with long periods of separation and worry over the next combat tour, a group of wives mostly in their late 20s and early 30s are drawn together weekly to seek spiritual support to bolster the strength of their marriages.

Mya Parker, 27, saw both sides of the average military marriage and the strain that years of combat duty can do to a relationship. She served in the Army for four years on active duty before helping start the Lantern, a nondenominational faith group for military wives and girlfriends outside Fort Campbell, Ky.

"The military, because of the complexities of the deployment, can have more uncertainties," she said. "The reason God is the answer is because scripture says that He has never changed. From the beginning of time to the end of time, He is unchanging."

While not solely sponsored by any one church, these wives meet weekly in small, informal groups of eight to 12 at their homes to study the Bible's teachings and how to apply them to today's modern military marriage.

Parker and her husband, an Army aviator, both served in Afghanistan with the famed 101st Airborne Division, a unit that has been heavily impacted by the wars there and in Iraq since 2001. During her Army career, Parker saw deployed husbands anxious about their wives back home and wives struggling to communicate with husbands a world away.

In the privacy of these small weekly gatherings, the wives don't hold back their fears about the realities of war.

"We don't sugar-coat it and say, 'Oh, it will be great, it will be fine. This deployment is going to fly by.' To be honest, it's hard and you have good

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is one of the traditional ways of singing in the church.

Catholic singer and songwriter David Kauffman, who performed at St. Ann's in November, co-wrote a musical composition selected by National Association of Pastoral Musicians to be used with the new English translations. He admitted he first questioned the changes to the Gloria, which was revised from "We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory" to "We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory."

"But once we began to let the melodies speak to the words," he said, "I began to feel like this is the way we should have been doing the Gloria all along."

Though it may be a while before parishoners and priests can recite new prayers from memory, Kauffman pointed out the new words may give Catholics a chance to pause and think about the meaning behind the prayers.

"Early on, I resisted the words like everyone else," he said, "but the more I say them, the more they become my own words."

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days and bad days," said Mandy Costello, 29, who has been married five years through her husband's three deployments.

With less than 1 percent of Americans serving in the military, the lifestyle of a military wife can sometimes feel isolating. But when they get together, these wives speak the same language that is peppered with military acronyms as they share advice for keeping marriages intact, when sometimes months go by without kisses or hugs from their spouses.

"If you don't know what to expect, you feel alone, you feel isolated and you feel like you are the only one going through this, when you know there are thousands of soldiers deployed with your husband at the same time. It still feels like you are the only one," said Holly Klich, 31, who has been married four years to a soldier who has had two combat tours.

Besides the Lantern meetings, many of these wives participate in the military's family readiness groups, which provide information about deployments and organize events and classes for military spouses and families.

Parker said group members come from a variety of faith backgrounds, including Mormon, Catholic, Church of Christ, Pentecostal, but she said the group is open to all faiths. The group also does public service projects that Parker said aren't faith-focused and are open to anyone who wants to join them.

The Army also has been focused on improving military marriages and has invested in a marriage counseling program run by unit chaplains called Strong Bonds, which is popular with soldiers of all faiths.

Parker and others said they need additional strength from their faith to be resilient.

Parker points to the Bible's emphasis on grace, patience, kindness and forgiveness as keys to a healthy marriage, even those tested by war.

"It has made me much more patient with him dealing with what he has been through and honoring that he ultimately doesn't belong to me," Parker said. "He belongs to the Lord."

The weekly prayer meetings have helped many wives reconnect with their husbands, many who have recently returned from the 101st Airborne's yearlong deployment to Afghanistan. Parker said many wives expect a joyous reunion, but many couples have to learn how to live together again.

Vanessa James, a 30-year-old who had twin boys while her husband was deployed, said she prayed she wouldn't be resentful that her husband missed so much while he was gone.

"He has been home for three months now and I can honestly say that I feel closer to my husband than ever before, and I think it's because I approached this reintegration with a servant's heart," she said.

With the support of other wives, Parker said a deployment can also be a blessing if women take the opportunity to grow in their faith and their marriages.

"My No. 1 piece of advice, even if someone didn't grow up in the church and isn't a believer, is to really take the time. Deployment is an amazing time to pursue a relationship with God for maybe the first time," she said.

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Egypt's Islamist hard-liners oppose Christmas greetings

CAIRO — An ultraconservative Egyptian Islamist group says sending Christmas greetings to Christians is "against our beliefs," a position immediately rebuked by other Muslims.

Nadar Bakar, spokesman of the hard-line Al-Nour party, said Wednesday that Muslims should give greetings to Christians only on "personal occasions," not religious ones.

Al-Nour represents the ultraconservative Salafi movement, which wants to strictly impose Islamic law in Egypt. Al-Nour has won a surprisingly strong 20 percent of the vote so far in Egypt's staggered parliamentary elections.

The remarks prompted Egypt's Al Azhar, the most eminent religious institution, to issue a religious edict approving Christmas greetings. The country's most influential Islamist group, the Muslim Brotherhood, responded by sending "its best Christmas wishes to our brotherly Christians and Muslims as well."

ACLU: Indiana violating court order requiring kosher prison food

INDIANAPOLIS — The American Civil Liberties Union of Indiana has asked a judge to hold the state Department of Correction in contempt for failing to provide four inmates with kosher food.

Ken Falk, an ACLU attorney, said corrections officials haven't complied with a 2010 federal court order requiring kosher meals be offered for inmates observing Jewish dietary laws.

The inmates are in state prisons in Michigan City, Pendleton and Putnamville.

NC Baptist leader wants civil debate on marriage

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The newly elected president of North Carolina's largest religious denomination said he hopes for a civil debate over a proposal to ban same-sex marriage in the state constitution.

The Rev. Mark Harris, president of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, said he understands the question is an emotional one.

But Harris said he thinks both sides can respectfully argue their cases.

Harris was elected to a one-year term last month. The convention represents roughly 4,300 churches and some 1.3 million members in North Carolina.

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303 E. Shandon 682-4931

Mt. Rose Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:30 am, Service 11:00 am Wed. 7 pm, 211 N. Tyler 682-4777

New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist
Sunday School 9:30 am, Sunday 10:45 am, Wednesday 8:15 pm, Youth Activities meet @ 6:30 pm on Monday Eve. - 1801 N. Carver 682-6457

Northwestern Baptist Church
Sun. School 9:45 am, Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. 6:30 pm, 3901 Mockingbird

Primitive Baptist Church
Services: 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10:30 am 411 W. Shandon 757-620-6627

Ranchland Heights Baptist
Sun. School 9:30 am, Morn. Worship 11 am, Evening Service 6 pm, Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 pm, 3203 S.C.R. 1211
Gary Douglas, Pastor 697-4471

Second Baptist Church
Sun. Services 11:00 am, Bible Study for all ages 10:00 am, 3125 Travis

South Memorial Baptist Church
Sun. Worship 10:30 am & 6:00 pm,
1700 W. Carter 682-5733

Southwest Baptist Church
Sunday 10:30 am & 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm, 8006 Hwy. 191. 561-8885

Stonegate Fellowship
Sunday Worship: 9am, 11am, 5pm and 7pm - www.stonegatefellowship.com
6000 W. Wadley - 694-5100

Tall City Baptist Church
Sunday 10am, 11am, 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm, 3500 Anetta Drive 694-7515

Temple Baptist Church
Sun. School 10:00 am, Sun. 11:00 am & 6:30 pm, Wed. Youth B.A.S.E. Club 7:00 pm, Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm, 4301 Thomason Dr. 694-3634

Travis Baptist Church
Bible Classes 9:45 am, Sun. Worship Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Service,
1000 E. Gist 682-7812

Valley View Baptist Church
Sun. School 10 am Services 11:00 am & 7:00 pm, Discipleship Training 6:30 pm, Wed. Choir Practice 7 pm, Prayer Meeting 7 pm, 5500 FM 1213 - Midland. P.O. Box 10397, Midland, TX 79702

Victory Fellowship
Sunday School 10am, Sunday Services 11am & 6pm, Wednesday 7pm, Pastor Teddy Seals, 3500 Anetta 563-2353

West Kentucky Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:45 am, Services 11:00 am & 7:00 pm, 1507 W. Kentucky Ave.

Westside Baptist Church
Sun. School 10 am, Sun. Services 10, 11 am & 6 pm, 4201 W. Illinois

Wilshire Park Baptist
Worship: 9:50 am & 6:15 pm - Sun., 6:00 pmWed., Sun. School - 11:00 am.
801 S. Bentwood 694-7787

Kelview Heights Baptist Church
Sunday Bible Classes 9:15 am, Worship Service 10:30 am, Worship Service and Kids' Choir 6:00 pm, www.kelview.com
402 W. Scharbauer Drive 682-3942

Bible
Calvary Chapel of Midland/Odessa
Sun. 10:30am - Wed. 7:00pm - Highway 191 & FM 1788 - www.calvarywesttexas.com
561-9141

Colonial Bible Church
Teaching 10 am: Worship 11 am, Traditional Worship, Biblical Teaching & Preaching,
5711 Whitman 686-2612

Midland Bible Church
Sunday 1st Service 9:00-10:10 Sunday School 10:20-11:10 2nd Service 11:20-12:30 Wednesday AWANA 6:15-8:00 www.midlandbible.org, 2800 North "A" Street 684-9722

Catholic
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
Mon.- Fri.: 12:05 Noon Eng., Mon., Tues., Thurs. 6:30 pm Span., Wed. & Fri. 6:30 pm, Saturday 8:00 am (Bilingual) & 5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Bilingual), Sunday 8:00 am (Spanish)-10:00 am & 12:00 pm (Eng.)-1:30 pm (Span.), www.olgmidland.com
1301 E. Garden Lane 682-2581

San Miguel Arcangel Catholic Church Weekends: Sat. 4:30 pm (English), Sun. 8:30 am (Spanish) 10:30 am (English) & 12:30 pm (Spanish), Weekdays: Mon.- Wed.- Fri. 6:00 pm (Bi-Lingual), Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am (Bi-Lingual), Confessions Saturday 3:45-4:15,
1100 Camp Street 570-0952

St. Ann's Catholic Church
Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday - 5:00 pm, Sunday - 8:30 am - 10:45 am - 5:00 pm, Confession: Saturday - 4:00 - 4:45 pm, Illinois & "M" - www.st-anns.us 682-6303

St. Michael The Archangel Traditional Catholic Church
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Latin Tridentine Rite, as approved and encouraged by Pope Benedict XVI in his encyclical Summorum Pontificum, is said several times each month on a variable schedule, Please call for Mass times,
3001 W. Golf Course Rd 686-7709

St. Stephen's Catholic Church
Saturday 8:00 am & Mass 5:00 pm Sunday Masses 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish) & 5:00 pm, Daily Masses 7:00 am 12:15 & 5:30 pm, Confession heard 20 minutes before each Mass.
4601 Neely Avenue 520-7394

Christian
Christian Church of Midland
Sun. School 9:30 am, Service 10:30 am, Small Groups, Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm, www.ccofm.com, 2608 Neely 684-7681

Community of Christ
10:00am Sunday School, 11:00am Worship, 3603 Douglas, www.cofchrist.org 694-3929

Christian Disciples of Christ
Church on the Journey (Disciples of Christ) 1001 Andrews Highway (Home of Memorial Christian Church) across from Albertsons on Andrews Highway, Midland TX, Sunday School for all ages 9:40 am,Sunday Worship 10:50 am in the Fellowship Hall. Rev Gary Groves, Minister.
www.churchonthejourney.org (432) 413-8326

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Contemporary Service 9 - 10 am in the Family Life Center, Sunday School for all ages 10 - 11am, Traditional Service 11 am, www.fccmidland.org
1301 W. Louisiana 682-2541

Memorial Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Sun. School - 9:40 am, Sanctuary Worship 10:50 am, www.mccmidland.org,
1001 Andrews Hwy 694-5321

Christian and Missionary Alliance
Fellowship Community Church
9:30 Family Bible Hour, 10:45 am , Morning Celebration, www.midlandfellowshipchurch.org
5206 N. Midland Dr. 699-6068

Christian Science
Christian Science Church
Sunday Worship & Sunday School at 10:00 am; Wed. Service at 7:30 pm, 1001 W. Tennessee 682-8197

Christian Science Reading Room
Mon.-Thurs. 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Mission Sq. Ste. A-10 4400 N. Big Spring St. 79705 432-682-8476

Church of Christ
Andrews Hwy. Church of Christ
Sun. Worship 10:30 am & 5:00 pm, 4803 Andrews Hwy 694-2394

Church of Christ in Greenwood
Sun.: 9:30 am - Bible Study, Worship 10:30 am & 6:00 pm Wed. 7:00 pm - Bible Study 684-6050

Eastside Church of Christ
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am Sunday 11:00 am & 5:00 pm Wednesday 7:00 pm,
611 S. Webster 684-4733

Fairmont Park Church of Christ
Sun. Morn. Bible Class 9:00 am Worship Service 10 am & 5 pm, Wed. Eve. Bible Study at 7 pm, 3813 N. Midland Dr. 699-7064

Iglesia de Cristo
Sun. 9:00 am & 5:00 pm, Wed. 7:00 pm-Bilingual. 1501 E. Cherry Lane 661-3233, 634-1948

Church Golf Course Road Church of Christ
Pastor Mike Cope / Tod Brown
http://www.gcrcc.org/ reception@gcrcc.org
3500 W. Golf Course Road (432) 694-8836
Services: Sunday First Worship 8:15 am, Bible Class 9:45 am, Second Worship 11:00 am, Tuesday Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:30 am, Ladies Class 9:45 am, Wednesday Services 7:00 pm

Lamesa Rd. Church of Christ
3409 N. Lamesa Rd. Sunday school at 9:30 AM Sunday morning worship at 11AM Tuesday night singing practice at 7PM Wednesday night bible class at 7PM Minister Melvin Williams 685-0885

Lee Street Church of Christ
Sun. School 9:30 am, Worship 11:00 am & 6:30 pm, Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm, 101 N. Lee Street

Main Street Church of Christ
Sunday Services 10:30 am & 5:00 pm, Wednesday Service 7:30pm, 101 W. Parker 570-1212

North "A" Church of Christ
Sun. Services 9:30 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Service 7:00 pm, 505 San Angelo St. 682-8653

Northside Church of Christ
Bible 9:30 am, Sunday: Services: 10:30 am & 6:00 pm; Wed. 7:30 pm 682-1553

Spanish Church of Christ
Sun. Services 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. Services 7 pm, Bilingual Services, Orchard Lane & Loma Vista

Westway Church of Christ
1701 Hughes St., Sunday Services 10am & 6pm, Wednesday 7:30pm 432-262-8543

Westside Church of Christ
4410 W. Illinois Ave., 694-3614, Bible class at 9am - AM Worship at 10am - Evening worship at 5pm - Wed. Evening worship at 7pm. 694-3614

Woodcrest Church of Christ
1401 Woodcrest Drive, Sunday Bible Study - 9:30am, Sunday Assembly - 10:30am, Sunday Assembly - 4pm, Wed. Bible Study - 7pm, Preacher: Jay Martin 689-0955

Charismatic
Midland Christian Fellowship (The Joyful Church)
Sun. School 9:30 am, Celebration Service 10:30 am, Wed. Family Night 7:00 pm, nursery and children's church for every service,
2301 W. Indiana 685-1981

Church of God
Church of God
Sun.School 10:00 am, Sun. Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm Wed. 7:30 pm, 5300 Thomason Dr.
694-7586

Church of God in Christ
Alexander Temple Church of God in Christ
Wed 7:30pm, Sun School 9:45 am, Sun Morn 11:00 am, 200 N. Tyler 684-5466

Faith Temple Church of God in Christ
Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:30 am, Bible Study 6 pm Evening Worship 7 pm, Wednesday 7 pm, 1605 N. Terrell 684-5253

Holy Trinity Church of God in Christ
Sun. School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:15 am, Bible Study Wednesday 7:00pm, 1301 E. Cowden
682-9271

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Ward 1 at 9:00 am Sun., Ward 2 at 11:30 am Sun., Ward 3 at 9:00 am Sun., Branch for Spanish at 10:20 am, Wards 1 & 2 meet at 4605 Gateway St., Midland, Ward 3 meets at 2101 Tarleton St.

Episcopal
Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity
Sunday Holy Eucharist: 8am, Rite I, 10 am, Rite II, 9:00 am: Education Monday: Holy Eucharist & Healing: 5:15 pm, www.holytrinity.org,
1412 West Illinois 683-4207

St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church
Sunday Services: 8:30am & 5:30 pm, Sun. School & Adult Forum - 10:30am, Healing Service - Wed. 5:30pm, Dinner 6pm, Choirs & Programs,
4000 W. Loop 250 North 694-6856

Foursquare Gospel
Living Way Church Foursquare
Midland Church - Sunday 10am, Wednesday 7pm, Children & Youth Activities, Wednesday 7pm, 415 Alta
683-1750

Camino de Vida Midland Hispanic y Foursquare Church
Sunday Services 10:00 am & 11:00 am, Tuesday 7:00 pm, Thursday 7:30 pm, 100 West Oak
352-6524

Full Gospel
Jesus Way House of Prayer
Sun. 10:30 am & 7:30 pm, Tues. & Thurs. 7:30 pm, 3600 Andrews Hwy. 520-0357

Living Hope Church
Services: Sun 10:30 am, Thurs 7 pm, 2911 CR 1140
693-6398

Voice of Victory - A Word Church
Sun. 10:30 am & 6 pm, Wed 7 pm, 1001 S. Main St.
686-7586

Hindu
Hindu Association of West (HAWT)
Service Times: Weekdays 8 am & 7 pm to 8 pm, Saturday 9 am to 10:30 am, Sunday 10 am to 12:30 pm & 4 pm to 6 pm, Religious Study & Sunday School for Children, 4401 Cardinal Ln.
520-4298

Interdenominational
Midland Center for Spiritual Living
2311 Elizabeth Ave, Midland, TX 79701
Minister, Rev. Jerry Fetterly 432/684-4230
Website Url http://Midland.CSL.org
Services 10am-Book Study, 11am-Celebration Service with Music

Christian Life Center
Sunday School 9:30-10:20, Worship 10:30- 12 pm, Home Care Fellowships varied times, Wednesday Bible Studies 6:30 pm, 2901 W. Kansas
683-4506

West Texas Cowboy Church
12144 E. Hwy 158, Gardendale, Texas, Sunday 10 a.m., Wed at 7 p.m. , www.wtcchurch.org
486-8588

Jewish
Avdey Torah Hayah
meets third or fourth Saturday of the month at Voice of Victory Church, 1001 S. Main, Midland. Service times: Saturday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Adult services and Tot Shabbat; Sunday 1-4 p.m. Sunday school for adults and children. Rabbi Yosef Garcia. For more information, call Synagogue President Samuel Saldana www.cryptojew.org 634-9191

Temple Beth El
Friday Service 8pm, Rabbi Holly Cohn, Rabbi Sidney Zimelman, Emeritus
-1501 N Grandview, Odessa, TX 550-5111

Lutheran
Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:30 am, Sunday Worship at 10:30 am. ,3800 Bluebird Ln.
694-4971

Grace Lutheran Church Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Sun. School 9:00 am, Service 10:30 am, Monday Worship Service 7:00 pm, 3000 W. Golf Course Rd.
697-3221

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Traditional Service 9:30 am, Sunday School 10:45 am, Danny Anderson, Pastor, www.hclc4u.org, 5110 North Garfield.
570-8149

Hope Lutheran Church Worship
9am, Sunday School 10:15am. Adult Bible Study 10:15am, Terry Johnson, pastor, 2003 North A St.
683-1936

Lutheran Church of the Risen Lord
9 am Adult Sunday School, Women's Bible Study Families together class. Nursery 0-2, Young Children's Sun. School (3&4 yr), Kids Quest, K-6, 10:15 am. Worship Service, 5-7 pm, 1603 N. Grandview, Odessa 362-2549

Midland Lutheran Church
Sun. School at 9:15 am, Sun. Worship, 10:30 am, Tuesday bible study at 7:00 pm, 2705 W. Michigan
694-1373

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Sun. School 9:00 am, Worship Celebration 10:15 am, Pastor Steve Mohr, 3309 Neely 694-4517

Messianic
Beit Haderekh
13370 Hwy 191, Odessa, TX 79765, Worship: Sat. 10:30 am. Call 561-8486

Methodist United
Resurrection United Methodist Church
Sun. School 10:00 am, Worship 11:30 am, 5541 W. 57th St., Odessa 385-1212

St. Mark's United Methodist
Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Service 11:00 am, Wednesday Choir 6:30 pm, Home Bound Communion - First week of month,
1701 N. Main 683-3339

& Church Listings

First United Methodist Church (Midland)
Traditional Sun. Worship 8:30 am &10:45 am- sanctuary, 10:45 am Contemporary Worship- Fellowship Hall, Main & Ohio St. www.firstmethodistmidland.com .682-3701

First United Methodist Church (Goldsmith)
Sun. Service 9:00am, 600 N. Goldsmith St, Goldsmith......385-1212

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Sunday School 9:30 am, Services 8:30 am & 10:50 am, WWW.StLukesUMCMidland.org 3011 W. Kansas......694-2571

St. Paul's Methodist
4501 Thomason Drive, Midland, Tx. 79703 Sunday School 8:45am, Worship Services 10am, Children/ Youth meet at 6pm Rev Randy Thomas......694-2544

Visionary Hollowell Community UMC
Sunday School 10:00am, Worship Service 11:00 am, Mid-Week Bible Study, Prayer & Praise, and Fellowship - Wednesday - 6:30 pm, 400 South Marshall St.....682-1574

Muslim

Muslim Association of West
Jumu'ah Prayer - Friday 1:30 pm, Religious study group Sunday 12 pm, 1200 S. Midland......520-4689

Islamic Center of the Permian Basin
Jumu'ah Prayer - Friday 2:00pm, 5010 W. Loop 250 N. Apt 10E......520-3751

Nazarene

The Gathering @ Midland (A Church of the Nazarene) Sunday Worship 10:30 am, 2001 Culver, www.thegatheringmidland.com

Non-Denominational

BelieversWay Church Permian Basin
Sun Service 10am, Wed Service 7pm 4400 N. Midland Drive, Suite 400 www.believersway.com......689-7284

Christian Faith Ministry
2215 N. Midland Dr., #5A, Midland, TX 79707, Linda Jackson, Pastor. Services Sunday 11am 432-218-6412

Church of God 7th Day
609 N. Dallas, Midland, Texas 79701, Pastor: Joe V. Romero......218-8595

Church of New Beginnings
4309 W. Illinois, Suite A Sun. School 10 am, Sun.Service 11:30 am Bible Study for all ages Wednesday 7 pm Pastor Norman Lewis......553-1400

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship
Sunday Svcs w/Children's Church 10am, Bible Study 6pm, Wednesday Evening for all age groups starting at 6:30pm 901 N Midland Dr. ......689-8898 www.conerstonemidland.com

Dominion Outreach Ministry
Sunday Service 10:30 am Wednesday 7:00 pm, 7909 Hwy. 307 686-9468

LifeHouse Fellowship
3300 Thomas Avenue Midland, TX 79703, Services on Sun. at 10:30am, Wed at 7pm, Pastor Jeremy Sutton, www.lifehousefellowship.net......432-262-LIFE info@lifehousefellowship.net

Manna For Life Ministry
Sun. School 10 am, Worship 11 am, Wed. Prayer Meeting 7pm, Wed. at 6pm, Sisters For Life Meeting, Fri. at 7pm Prophetic Night 701 S. Calhoun......432-684-8668

Mid- Cities Community Church
Sunday Morning 9:15am & 11 am. 8700 W. Hwy 191 522-1330

Midland Bible Church
Sunday School 10:20am-11:10, First Service 9:00-10:10am, Second service 11:20-12:30pm. AWANA 6:00 pm Wednesday, www.midlandbible.org, 2800 North "A" St. 684-9722

The Cowboy Church of the Permian Basin
Sunday Services: 10:30 am. - 3900 North FM 1788, Midland, TX., Pastor Jerry Ralston......432-563-0028

Apostolic Assembly in the Faith Christ Jesus
Wednesday 7:30 pm, Sunday Services 9:45 am & 3:30 pm, 2309 South Fort Worth......686-8526

Beacon Light Outreach Ministries
Sunday School 10:30am, Sunday High Noon Svc 12:00pm, France Kerr Annex Building (Behind St. Paul Methodist) 410 South Lee......432-599-0793

Bible-Way Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ
Sunday School 10:00 am, Morning Worship 11:30 pm, Tuesday/ Mission 6:30 pm, Wed./Bible Study 6:30 pm, 1201 E. Spruce 570-1665

Christian Outreach Center
Sun. Services 10:00 am & 5:00 pm, Wed. Service 7:30 pm, Located in Odessa South of I-20 off of West County Rd. (corner of Cole & Sergeant)

Christian Motorcycle Association
Contact Mike Kiselwick......520-8241

Christian Tabernacle Church
Sunday. Services 10:00 am & 7:00 pm, Wednesday. Service 7:00 pm, 10807 W. CR 145, Midland......262-5072

Centro Familiar Cristiano Vida
Sunday Services: 10 am, 5 pm, Wednesday Services 7 pm, Friday Youth Services 7 pm, 505 W. Parker.

Church in the Wind
Pastor Terry Ohlmann, Sunday Service 10:30am and Wednesday Service 7:00 pm 1001 Austin......556-2062

Communidad Alabare, Community of Praise
Saturday 9:30 am, Monday 7:30 pm, 1100 Dayton Rd......682-8433

Crossway Church Adult
Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am Children's Christian Education 10:50 am, www.crosswaychurchofgod.org, 1000 Upland......528-8541

Destiny by Grace Christian Worship Center
Sun. 9:30 am, 10:30 am & 6 pm Wed., 7 pm, 3303 S. Hwy 349......556-6638

Faith Apostolic Church
Thurs. Service 7:30 pm, Sun. Services 9:40 am - Traditional Service, 11:00 am Contemporary Service & 7:30 pm, 4001 W. Illinois Avenue......520-5371

Faith Country Church
Sunday Service 9:30 am Wednesday 7 pm Youth Service Wednesday 7 pm, www.faithcountry.org Exit 143 off I-20 E. to FM 1208, 5 miles. 458-3580

Faith Tabernacle
Sunday School 10:00a m, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Wed. night prayer Bible Class 7:00 pm, Friday Evangelistic Night 8:00 pm, 301 S. Fairgrounds Rd.

First Apostolic Church
Sunday School 10:00 am, Sunday Services 11:00 am & 6:00 pm, Wed. Prayer 7:30pm, 710 S. Baird St.

Greater Grace Temple Christian Faith Center
Sunday Service 12:00 noon, Morning Bible Institute 10:45 am Midland Center Room 3, Toll Free......866-544-7223

Harvest Time Church
Sunday Services 9:45 am , 10:30 am & 6:00 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm, 8300 W. Hwy. 191......563-5683

Heart of Worship Baptist Fellowship
Sunday Service 11:00 am, 1306 East Taylor......337-9372

Iglesia de Dios 70 Dia
Wed. 7 - 8 pm, Friday 7 - 8 pm, Sat. 10am -12 pm, 4 pm- 6 pm, 405 E. Stokes......684-8541

Iglesia de Dios de la Profecia (Church of God of Prophecy)
Thursday 7:00 pm, Sunday 10:00 am, 6:00 pm, 5301 Thomason......689-8277

Inner City Tabernacle of Life Ministries
Sun. 11:15, Wed. 7:30, Overseer E.M. & Lady S.R. Jackson, Pastors www.ictabernacle.com......694-4233

New Day Christian Fellowship
Wed. 7 pm & Sun. 10:30 am & 6 pm, 4200 W. Illinois Suite 280. 694-4233

New Springs Family Life Church
Sunday Service 10:45 am , Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 pm, 350 N. Midland Drive # F......689-8567

North East Community Church
Sun. 9:30am, 10:30 am, & 6:30 pm, Wed 7:00 pm Bible Study, Belva Lucas 410 N. CR 1130......699-5821, 853-9830

Nuevo Trigo (New Wheat) Church
Sunday Services at 10:30 am, Wed. Service at 7:30 pm 2406 W. Wall.

Prophet of the Word Ministries
Daily prayer and counseling. Send prayer requests to 1800 N. Big Spring St., Suite 212, Midland 79707; Prayer Line620-0802

Redeemer Christian Fellowship
Full-Gospel Ministry Sunday 10 am & 6 pm, 3000 W. Franklin......686-9112

Rock Fellowship Church
Sun. Worship 10:00 am, Wed. A.C.T.I.O.N. Night 7:00 pm, Extreme Youth 6:30 pm, 410 S. Pecos 685-3858

Salvation Army
Sunday School 9:45 am, Worship 11 am & 6 pm, Wednesday 6:30 pm, 3500 Park Lane......697-7264

Shambhava Center
On 2nd & 4th Sundays each month - 10:30 - 11:00 Meditation, 5 p.m. Kirtan: All are welcome; no charge 2505 W. Kansas......432-528-9534

Solid Rock Fellowship Outwest
Sun School 10, Sun Services 11, Wed 7. 4601 W. Interstate 20 (South Service road Between Midkiff and Loop 250) 664-4279

St. Paul C.M.C. Church
Wed. Bible study @ 7 pm, Sunday breakfast 7 am to 8:30 am, Sunday School 9:30 am, 409 S. Lee Street.

Teen Challenge Services
Fridays 7pm, 6901 S. CR 1200, Midland 687-0348

Teen Flow Service
11:00 am Sun., 711 S. Main 686-2525

Templo Betesda - Interdenominational
Sun. School 10 am, Sunday Services 11 am & 6 pm, Wednesday Service 7:30 pm, All Bilingual Services, 2901 South Rankin Hwy., Midland. 570-4582

Templo Peniel Church
Sun. School: 10 am Sun., Worship services: 11 am and 6 pm Sun.; 6 pm Wed., 611 S. Terrell......683-6836

Templo Jerusalem
Prayer Mon - Fri 6 am, Tue evening 7 pm, Wed Ministerios - Femeniles 7:30 pm, Fri Varones/ Jovenes alternate 7:30 pm, Sun Escuela Dominical 9:45 am, Sun. Evening Culto Evangelistico 5 pm, 1205 South Belmont......683-4806

The World Wide Church of God Bible Study
Wed. at 7:30 pm, Sun. Service 11am, 1207 W. 10th St., Odessa......381-8352

True Life Christian Fellowship Church
Dev. starts 9:15 am, Sun. School 9:30-10:30 am, Sun. Services 11 am to 1 pm, 3001 North "A" St., Midland 687-3077

Victorious Ministries International
Sunday 11:15 am & Thursday 7:30 pm, http://geocities.com/victoriouschurch 582-2740

Orthodox

Holy Cross Orthodox Church
Temporarily meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4901 Maple Ave., Odessa (corner of JBS Pkwy, one block S. of Hwy. 191) Archpriest Michael Keiser, Mission pastor. Serving all Orthodox Christians; others always welcome. Weekly services Sun.- 5pm. For full schedule visit: orthodoxmidlandodessa.com Local contacts: Subdeacon Mark Telschow at 432-296-2654 or Reader Mark Trainer at 432-528-0026

Pentecostal Assemblies of the World

Beacon Light Outreach (A Pentecostal Outreach) Services: 11am Sun. Call for Location 432-416-0390, 432-559-0793

Lighthouse Pentecostal Church
Sun. School 9:30 am Sun. Worship 11:00 am & 7:30 pm, 2nd & 4th Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm, Thurs. Mission 7pm, 200 N. Lincoln......682-7186

The Pentecostals
Sunday School 10am, Sun. Services 10 am & 6pm, Wed. Service 7:30 pm, Fri Youth, 5110 W. Illinois Ave....697-4007

Jesus Name United Pentecostal Church
Sun. School 10 am, Worship 11am & 6 pm, Wed. 7:30 pm, 3110 W. C.R. 116 694-8702

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church
Sun. School: 9:30 am, Sun. Services 8:15 am, 11am, "The Bridge" at 11am, 800 W. Texas......684-7821

Grace Presbyterian Church
Church School 9:30am, Sun. Service 11am 2801 N. Garfield......684-6542

Providence Presbyterian Church (PCA)
Services 10:50 am, Sunday School 9:30 am, www.providencemidland.org, 2900 Princeton......520-5255

Trinity Presbyterian Church
Sun. School 8:45 am Service 10am, 2800 W. Louisiana......682-2514

Seventh Day Adventist

Church of God 7th Day
Fri. 8pm to 9pm, Sat. 10am to 12pm , Sat. Evening 5pm to 7pm 609 N. Dallas......570-0634

Iglesia Amistad Cristiana
9:45 am Sun. School, Services 11am & 6 pm, 401 S. Main......686-0427

Iglesia Adventista Del Septimo Dia
Cerca de Big Spring 9:30 Escuela Sabatica, 11:00 Culto Divino, 7:00 Culto de Miercoles, 110 W. Pennsylvania......620-8882

Seventh Day Adventist Church
Sat. Services 9:45 -11 am, Wed. Prayer 7 pm, midland.netadventist.org, 3114 Travis......694-2746

Southern Baptist

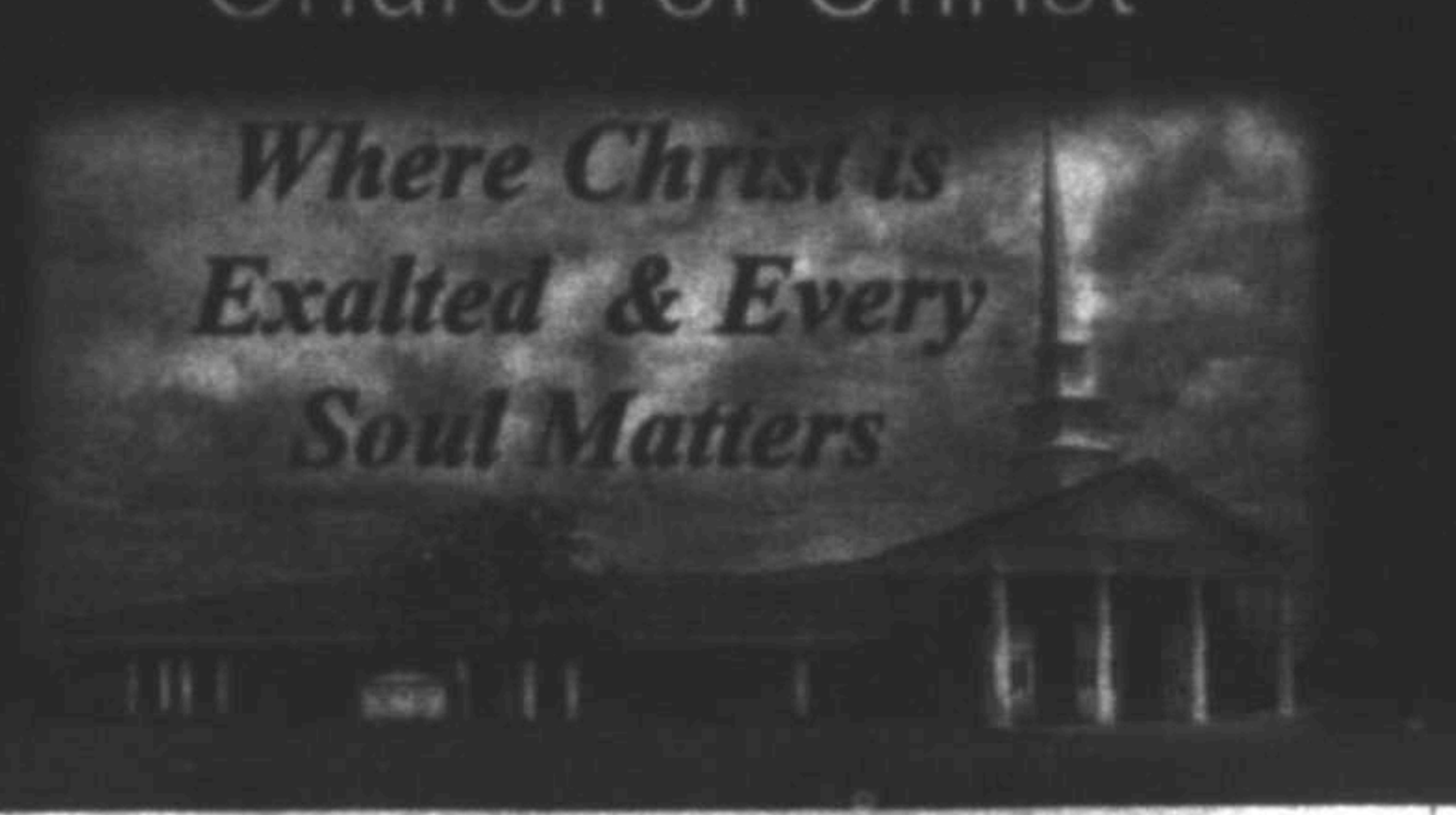
Iglesia Bautista El Buen Pastor, 4712 Shadylane, Midland, Tx 79703

Grace Covenant Church,
Morris Brooks, Pastor - morris@pressingon.us Sun. 10:30am Worship & Bible Study for all ages, Tues. Family Bible Study 6:30 pm to 7:30pm, child care provided www.gracecovmidland.org Meeting at Midland Classical Academy 5711 Whitman......553-1053

Unitarian Universalist

Rev. Thomas Schavid, Minister
Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland Adult & Children's Religious Education at 9:30am, Sunday Services 11:00am, 3301 Neely, Midland, TX, www.uumidland.org......432-694-4308

Westside
Church of Christ



4410 W. Illinois Ave.
Midland, TX 79703
Phone: (432) 694-3614

www.cocwestside.org

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
Sunday Morning Bible Classes: 9 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship: 10 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship: 5 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Bible Classes: 7 P.M.

The Virtue of Patience

"Love is patient; love is kind"
(1 Corinthians 13:4)

As wonderful as holidays are, they can also be quite trying to our patience. When tired, delayed, inconvenienced and aggravated, are we patient? It can really be hard! Do our words and actions reflect our love for God and for others? In the New Testament, there are two primary words translated "patience." One of the words refers to patience with people and the other to patience in our circumstances. If it were not for other people and difficult or unpleasant circumstances, we would not have a problem with patience! Patience equips us to properly deal with people and with circumstances. We look beyond those things to God. To increase our patience is the best way to shorten our troubles.

First Presbyterian
MIDLAND
Loving and leading all people to deeper life in Jesus Christ
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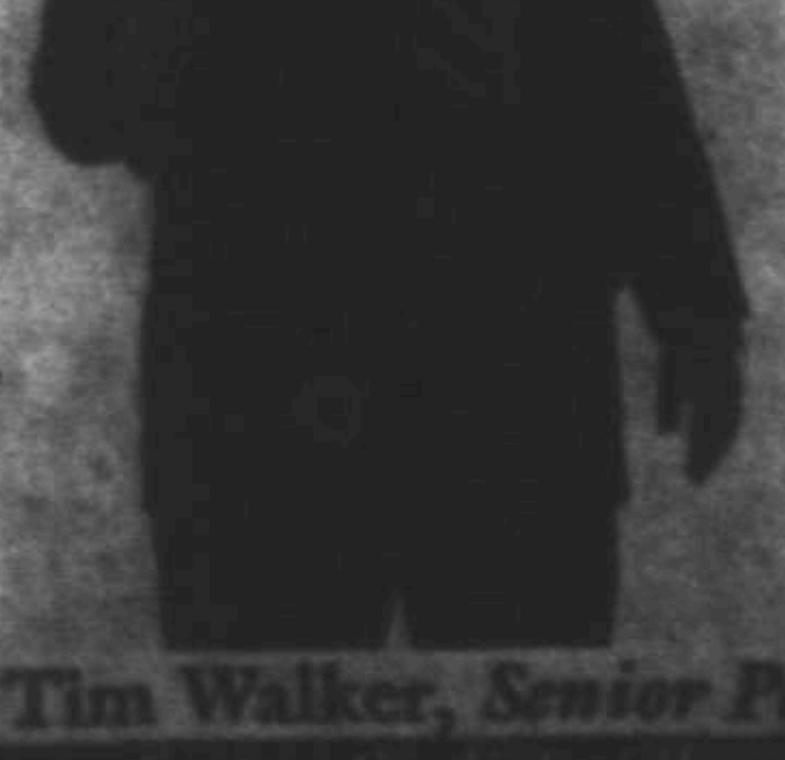
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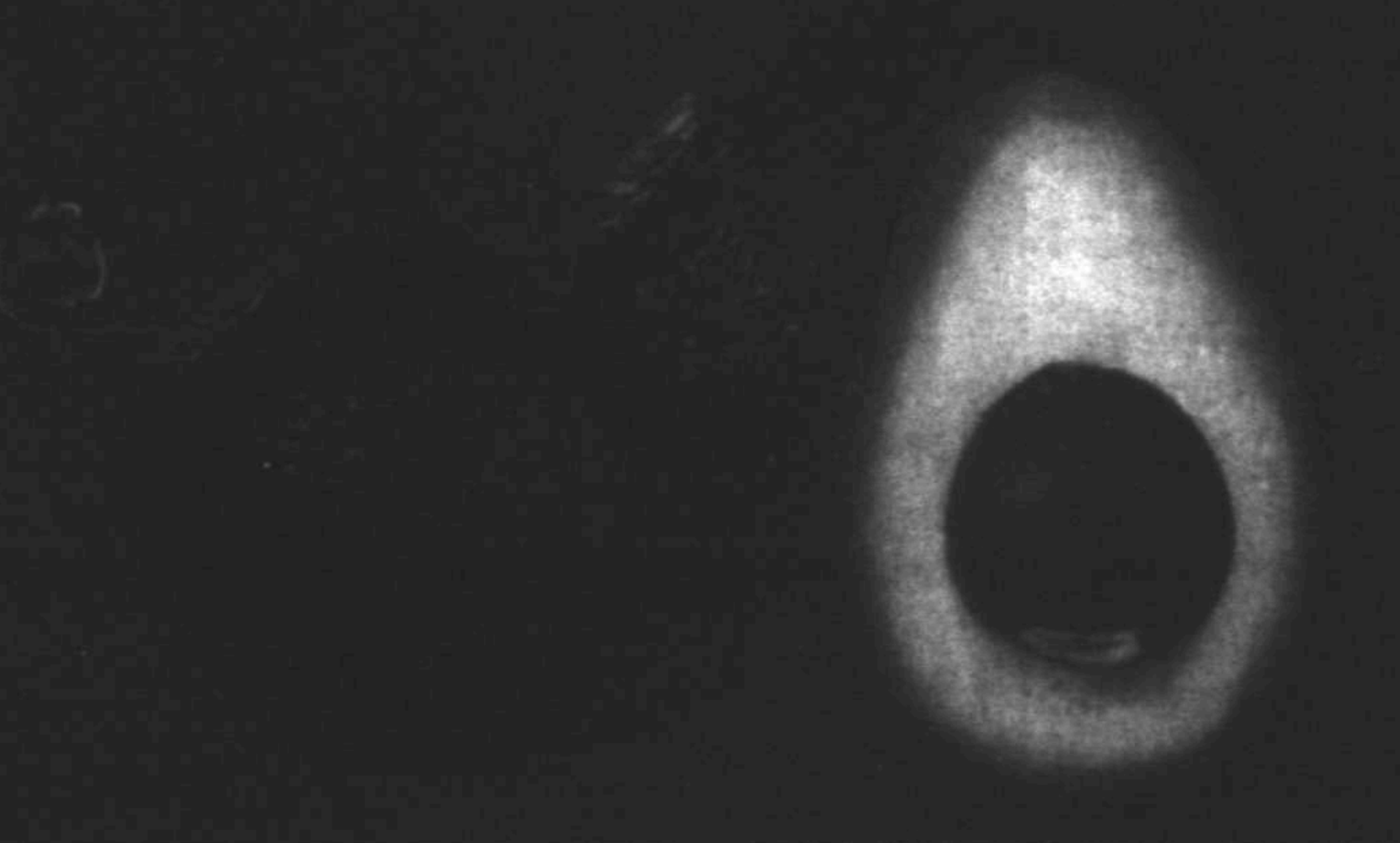

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TUESDAY

Bowling league meeting

The Holy Rollers church bowling league is looking for more churches to participate. The league will bowl at Midland Park Lanes on Tuesday nights when the facility is non-smoking. An organizational meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, and bowling will begin 6:30 p.m. Jan. 10. For more information, call Claude Jewett at 978-1057 or Midland Park Lanes at 689-9725.

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Catholic mission

Catholic apologist Stephen Ray will host a joint mission for all four of Midland's Catholic parishes Jan. 15-18, 2012, at the Midland Center. The event will feature four nights of talks by Ray who converted to Catholicism in the 1990s. Ray is a Holy Land tour guide, speaker, author and creator of the DVD series, "Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation From Abraham to Augustine." Admission is free. The event is a fundraiser to help with costs for completion of the DVD series.

Pitching evangelicals, candidates pack religion into ads

By Jeremy Peters
N.Y. Times News Service

DES MOINES, Iowa — There is Rick Perry, a stained-glass window and a large illuminated cross over his right shoulder, looking more preacher than politician. An aerial shot of a soaring church steeple zooms into focus a few seconds later. Then — blink and you'll miss it — a picture of the Texas governor with his arm around Mike Huckabee flashes on the screen.

In more overt ways than ever, Republican candidates vying for support from Iowa caucus-goers are turning to religious language and imagery in their advertisements, seeking to appeal to the Christian conservative base that will play a pivotal role in determining the victor here.

Gone are the suggestive and purportedly subliminal images of campaigns past, as when Huckabee caused a stir in 2007 after releasing a commercial that appeared to show a cross floating in the background.

The new, more pointed religious references reflect how campaigns are scrambling for support among evangelicals who are still divided over whom to support as the caucuses near.

"At this point in the game, the candidates in the GOP primary don't have the time or the money for subtlety," said Mark McKinnon, a Republican media strategist. "They will light a fire and stand by a burning bush in order to send a signal to evangelicals, 'I'm one of you, vote for me.'"

Perry has released four commercials in which Christianity is a theme.

"We grew up in small towns, raised with Christian values," his wife, Anita Perry, says in one spot running in Iowa now. "And we know Washington, D.C., could use some of that."

A former patient of Ron Paul, who practiced as an obstetrician before going into politics, says in one commercial, "It's not hard for someone who is a Christian and who truly believes to stay on the right path, and I think that's the kind of person Ron Paul is."

And an ad in which Newt Gingrich and his wife, Callista, offer their Christmas greetings pivots first to a sketch of a nativity scene and then to a church.

Politicians have long employed coded language in their messaging to religious conservatives, a practice often derided as dog-whistle politics for its ability to stir emotions among those who are in-the-know while passing undetected over others. Sarah Palin has often referred to her support from "prayer warriors," a term known among evangelicals as those who engage in battle with Satan.

The 2004 Bush-Cheney campaign used billboards with faint images of crosses. And at the Republican National Convention that year, the lecterns on stage were made of two-tone wood that appeared designed to resemble crosses. The Bush campaign insisted it was a coincidence. Where some people see a rusty water stain, after all, others see the Virgin Mary.

But what is different this year, media strategists and analysts said, is the extent to which the candidates are distributing such unambiguously religious messages so widely.

"Have those messages been used in previous elections? Certainly," said Kenneth M. Goldstein, president of Kantar Media's Campaign Media Analysis Group. "But they would end up in a mail piece, a phone call, a talk show radio ad. Now we're seeing a much broader, shotgun approach on broadcast television."

Some campaigns are going to great lengths to develop and hone these ads. The commercial with Anita Perry features a shot of the red brick church in which she married her husband in Haskell, Texas, underscoring the governor's commitment to traditional marriage.

And the ad Rick Perry has received the most criticism for this election, in which he says "there's something wrong in this country when gays can serve openly in the military but our kids can't openly celebrate Christmas or pray in school," was specifically written and staged by the governor's media team to appeal to Christians who feel the Obama administration is hostile to public expressions of faith. The scene, a verdant, bucolic hillside, was meant to invoke a meditative setting suitable for prayer.

The ad with the church steeple and the split-second shot of Huckabee (who said Tuesday that he was unaware his image was being used) aired only over the holidays and in select Iowa markets. The Perry campaign bought time during programs it knew would appeal to the audience it is trying to reach, like football and "The Sound of Music," what Ray Sullivan, Perry's communications director, called "family friendly TV."

Not all candidates have been so overt. Mitt Romney, whose Mormon faith is viewed by many evangelicals as heretical, has only opaquely referred to being a lifelong member of his church in his advertisements. Rick Santorum has opted to highlight in his newest commercial other aspects of his biography that resonate with evangelicals, like his authorship of legislation that was intended to curb late-term abortions and the fact that his children have all been home-schooled.

Such unabashed appeals to evangelical Christians underline not only how intense the battle is for their support but how fractured and unsettled that part of the electorate remains less than a week before the caucuses.

"In 2008 there wasn't another candidate who was explicitly targeting the Christian evangelical vote," said Arthur Sanders, an associate provost at Drake University who studies media and the electoral process. "Whereas this time you have Perry, Santorum," Michele Bachmann and, "to a lesser extent Gingrich. And I think that increases the baldness with which they're willing to target that audience."

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Obituaries

John T. Duncan

John T. Duncan, 77, of Odessa, passed away Monday, December 26, 2011, at Medical Center Hospital. He was born December 13, 1934, in Houston, to Foy T. & Hilda (Hearon) Duncan.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Bobbie Duncan of Odessa; sons, John Duncan & wife, Michell of Garland, TX, David Duncan of Lancaster, CA, Mark Duncan of Austin, TX; step-sons, Jimmy McWhorter & wife, Brenda, Deen McWhorter & fianceé, Tina, all of San Antonio; daughter, Janet Duncan of Rosenberg, TX; & step-daughter, Vicki Morgan of Venus, TX; (17) grandchildren; (9) great-grandchildren; & his constant companion, Snicker, his miniature Schnauzer.

John graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in Houston. He attended Texas A&M University, class of '56, where he was a member of the Fighting Texas Aggie Band. He was a Century Club member, and last spring was inducted into the Texas A&M Sul Ross Group.

He moved to Odessa in 1960, with the oil industry. He enrolled at UTPB, the first year it opened, and completed his Bachelor's degree, majoring in History and Education, as well as teacher certification. He also earned a Master's Degree from UTPB, with Mid-Management certification. August of 1975 he started his teaching career at Austin Elementary. His last eight years of teaching were at Blanton Elementary. John retired January 2011, having taught 5th and 6th grade students for 36 years.

John was active in Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association and held offices at the local, regional, and state levels, as well as an elected Delegate to State and National Conventions. He was also a TSTA/NEA Retired member.

He was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and a prominent choir member, with an outstanding baritone bass voice, for 41 years. John served as a Deacon and was an ordained Elder. He worked with the youth and as an adult Sunday school teacher.

Mr. Duncan was a member of the Chamber of Commerce Athletic Committee and of the Downtown Lions Club. John's primary hobby was sports. In the 60's and 70's, he was an active Little League and summer high school baseball coach. He also worked with Pop Warner football teams. He officiated Jr. High, High School, & College football games for 36 years, in the Permian Basin and most other Texas areas and in New Mexico. He was honored to be selected as a part of Officiating Crews for the State Playoff games including state finals at major professional and college sites in the state. He was also an official for the State All-star game in the Astrodome in January 1985. John loved to travel and was so excited when he and Bobbie traveled to their 50th state in 2008. He also had trips to four Canadian Provinces.

Family visitation was held Thursday, December 29, 2011, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

A Memorial celebration service will be held at 11:30 a.m., Friday, December 30, 2011, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, with Rev. Jim Gill officiating. A reception will follow at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be directed to Westminster Presbyterian Church, White Pool House Museum (Odessa), or the Humane Society of Odessa.

Services entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

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Torvorian Raishawn Carter

Torvorian Raishawn Carter was the first child, born on March 3, 1986, to Eljorie Roshun Carter and Terry Lawrence Young. As a Youth, "T" or "TC" is what everyone called him. Torvorian was involved in all sports. "T" attended and graduated from Midland High School in 2003, where he played football as a defensive lineman. After high school, he attended San Angelo State University, where he studied Kinesiology. "T" was a very well mannered and easy going young man. He was raised up and baptized at Alexander Temple Church of God in Christ.

Torvorian leaves a loving family to cherish his memory: A loving mother, Eljorie Carter; his father, Terry Young; grandmother, Mattie Carter; sisters, Tiara Carter, (Darayvon S.), Kiki Majors of Dallas, Travacia Young and Dejune Young of Rowlett, TX; loving companion, Renada McLaughlin; and children, De'Nyah Peterson and Ma'Layia Lampkin; also his loving niece, Tiana Carter. Torvorian also leaves thirteen uncles: Alvin Jr. Weldon, Donald and Ronald Carter, Sterling Jr. Lester, Norman, Blaisdell, and Ervin Young, Benny and Brad Graves, and George Bedford; six loving aunts: Cheryl Smith, Juliette, Deborah, and Gloria Young, Carla and Karen Graves, to cherish his memory; and a host of family members and friends. His long time friend, Travorick "Tray" Young, and his cousins Cameron and Jimmy Smith, Wesley Young, Derrold Hunt, and John Smith will dearly miss him.

Torvorian was preceeded in death by his grandparents, Alvin and Ida Carter; and grandparents, Charity Sue Young-Lawrence and Sterling Young, Sr.

Family held visitation for friends, Thurs., Dec. 29 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

A funeral service will take place Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, at 1:00 p.m., at True Lite Christian Fellowship Church, with Pastor Roy Smith officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Arrangements were made with Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net.

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Walter Ray Haynes

Walter Ray Haynes departed this earthen vessel to be with his Lord and Savior, on December 25, 2011.

He was born in Waco, TX on September 10, 1958, and shortly after, moved to Midland. He attended Midland public school and was a graduate of Midland High School in 1977. Walter worked for and gained great recognition for being The Top Spot Remover with Snow White Cleaners for over 20 years, and currently employed with Dry Clean Cleaners. Walter accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior, and began a great and dedicated work at Lee Street Church of Christ.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday, December 30, 2011, at 11:00 a.m., at Lee Street Church of Christ, 101 N. Lee St, with Rev. Richard Oldham officiating. Burial will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Walter is preceded in death by his mother, Ella Jean Haynes.

He leaves to cherish his life on this Earth, his wife, Carolyn Haynes; daughters, Maia Jones, TaShika Hemphill, and Crystal Haynes; step-children, Tamesha Truitt (William), Ricky Hubert (Temesha), Randon Prince, and Qunitisha Jackson; five granddaughters, JaNaia, Brya, Ty'Shanea, Alaya, and Cierra; step-grandchildren Tená, Tia, Christian, Rickey Jr., Jasmine, Jada, Braylin, Jewel, Terick, and Janiyah; his sister, Delores Haynes; niece, DeShanti Carter (Byron); and a great niece, Nevaeh Carter; five uncles, Lieutant Haynes of Waco, TX, Odeal Haynes (Catherine) of Colorado, Robert Haynes of Las Vegas, R. L. Haynes (Judy) of New Mexico, and Howard Haynes of Colorado; four aunts, Edna Haynes, Pearl Taylor (Zeke), Patricia Nash (Harlen), and Erma Haynes, all of Colorado; his very close and lifelong friend, Milton Suggs; and a host of other friends.

Services are under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

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Death Notices

Dean Forrest

Dean Forrest, 84, of Big Spring, passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 29, 2011.

Memorial services will be held at First United Methodist Church, 4th and Scurry Street, Big Spring, Texas at 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, December 31, 2011. A reception will follow in Garrett Hall.

Dean is survived by his wife of 61 years, Joannne; daughters. Jann Caffey (Roddy); Jill Heith (Bobby); four grandchildren; and six great grandchildren; sister, Wanda Kuykendall; a brother, Terry Forrest (Vicci); and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Erlinda C. Crow

Erlinda C. Crow, 78, of Midland, passed away on Wednesday, December 28, 2011.

The family will hold a gathering at a later date.

Survivors include son, John Crow of Midland; and daughters, Kathy Wright of Midland and Patty Martinek of Oklahoma City.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Russian court rejects proposed ban of Hindu text

By Sofia Javed
Associated Press

MOSCOW — A Russian court decided Wednesday not to ban a religious text central to the global Hare Krishna movement, rejecting claims that the text is "extremist" and ending a case that has angered Hindus around the world.

The Indian Foreign Ministry said it appreciated "this sensible resolution of a sensitive issue."

Prosecutors in the Siberian city of Tomsk had argued that the Russian translation of "Bhagavad Gita As It Is" promotes "social discord" and hatred toward nonbelievers, causing an outcry in India, where many considered the proposed ban a violation of the rights of Hindus in Russia.

The text is a combination of the Bhagavad Gita, one of Hinduism's holiest scriptures, and commentary by A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, founder of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, which is often called the Hare Krishna movement.

The prosecutors had asked the court to include the book on the Federal List of Extremist Materials, which bans more than 1,000 texts, including Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and books distributed by the Jehovah's Witness and Scientology movements.

Alexander Shakhov, a lawyer for Hare Krishna devotees in Tomsk, said the group is satisfied with the court's decision.

"This judge's decision shows that Russia is becoming a truly democratic society," Shakhov was quoted as saying by the Interfax news agency. "We are very excited about this victory."

Yury Pleshakov, a spokesman for the group in Moscow, said the book in question has existed in Russia for 25 years and has never inspired violence or extremist activity.

"On the contrary, this book teaches humane attitude towards all living beings," Pleshakov said.

The trial, which began in June, followed this year's ban on the construction of a Hare Krishna village in Tomsk and was based on an assessment by professors at Tomsk University, who concluded that "Bhagavad Gita As It Is" includes strong language against nonbelievers and promotes religious hatred and discrimination on the basis of gender, race, nationality and language.

The ruling came a day after Indian External Affairs Minister S.M. Krishna met with Alexander Kadakin, Russia's ambassador to India, and urged the Russian government to resolve the issue. Indian officials had last week appealed to high-level Russian authorities to intervene.

The Tomsk court had postponed the decision from Dec. 19, when protesters gathered outside the Russian consulate in Kolkata, and the speaker of India's lower house of parliament adjourned the body for several hours after members began shouting in anger over the proposed ban.

After hearing further testimony from academic experts on Wednesday, the judge ruled that the prosecutors' claims were unfounded.

The Bhagavad Gita "is not merely a religious text, but one of the defining treatises of Indian thought," said Indian Ambassador to Russia Ajai Malhotra in a statement. "The Bhagavad Gita has circulated freely across the world for centuries and there is not a single instance of it having encouraged extremism."

The Indian Foreign Ministry on Wednesday sought to soothe over any tensions.

"We appreciate this sensible resolution of a sensitive issue and are glad to put this episode behind us," ministry spokesman Vishnu Prakash said in a statement. "This demonstrates yet again that the people of India and Russia have a deep understanding of each other's cultures and will always reject any attempt to belittle our common civilizational values."

The Russian Foreign Ministry had insisted the Tomsk court was not taking issue with core Hindu scripture itself, but rather with the author's commentary and poor translation in "Bhagavad Gita As It Is."

"I would like to emphasize that this is not about 'Bhagavad Gita,' a religious philosophical poem, which forms part of the great Indian epic Mahabharata and is one of the most famous pieces of the ancient Hindu literature," ministry spokesman Alexander Lukashevich said at a briefing in Moscow last week, adding that the book was first published in Russian in 1788.

Still, followers of the Hare Krishna movement in Russia saw the proposed ban as a result of continued intolerance of minority religions by the Russian Orthodox Church. Pleshakov estimates there are at least 150,000 Hare Krishna devotees in Russia.

"The current problem is, above all, the misuse of the law on combating extremism," Pleshakov said. "It is used to search for enemies where they can not even be defined."

In 2005, a Russian Orthodox archbishop asked the mayor of Moscow to ban the construction of a proposed Hare Krishna temple, calling the Hindu deity Krishna "an evil demon, the personified power of hell opposing God," according to Interfax. The temple was later allowed in a Moscow suburb.

Associated Press

In this March 28, 2004, photo, Moscow Society of Krishna Consciousness' members pray for the construction of a Krishna temple in Moscow. A Russian court decided on Wednesday not to ban a religious text central to the global Hare Krishna movement, rejecting claims that the text is "extremist" and ending a case that has angered Hindus around the world.

Court: Church can build in Minn. suburb

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Unitarian Universalist Church of Minnetonka has won the right to expand in a residential suburban Minneapolis neighborhood after taking its case to court, an example of a legal fight between religious freedom and local zoning rules happening around the country.

A federal court-mediated settlement was reached last week between the church and the city of Wayzata that permits the church to tear down a house and build a church and parking lot.

The city said it had resisted the plan because wanted to protect the neighborhood. Wayzata Mayor Ken Willcox said the city didn't intend to deny anyone's religious freedom.

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TOP FILMS OF 2011

By David Germain
Associated Press

The top 10 films of 2011, according to AP Movie Writer David Germain:

1. "The Artist" — Enough with 3-D. Enough with super widescreen Technicolor. Enough with all the talking. Cinema finally is back where it belongs with this boxy, black-and-white, silent gem about a 1920s screen idol whose career is muzzled by the talkies. Director Michel Hazanavicius lets us all in on his wondrous dream, a film whose every moment delights with grand visual tableaux, lush music, ageless performances by Jean Dujardin and Berenice Bejo and the most adorable dog this cat lover has ever seen. Luddites unite. Silence really is golden.

2. "Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy" — Somewhere, Obi-Wan, er, Alec Guinness is smiling down on Jedi protege Gary Oldman. OK, so Oldman never apprenticed with Guinness, who did what seemed the definitive version of John le Carre's spymaster George Smiley in two miniseries 30 years ago. But Oldman makes the role completely his own, inhabiting Smiley's stillness and impenetrability, somehow conveying the man's subsurface passion while barely twitching a muscle. Director Tomas Alfredson and his phenomenal cast tell a fiercely cerebral, meticulously paced spellbinder, masterfully compacted from le Carre's sprawling novel.

3. "Hugo" — If we must have 3-D talking pictures, they all should be held to this standard. This is the only film I've told friends must be seen in 3-D. Martin Scorsese makes the third dimension not just eye-catching but essential to the experience. Scorsese's 3-D enfolds viewers in 1930s Paris, letting fans walk right alongside his two child heroes as they restore a bitter old man's faith and sense of wonder. And what a trip back to the moon it is to see Scorsese's affectionate re-creations of film pioneer Georges Melies' silent fantasies.

4. "Le Havre" — Finnish director Aki Kaurismaki's simple tale of a French shoeshine guy and an immigrant youth is sly and stealthy. Sweet yet unsentimental, understated yet rich in spirit, the film is populated by old souls who are a joy to watch, led by Andre Wilms as the shoeshiner who steps into the guardian angel role for an African boy who is in France illegally. The film hints that good deeds are a reward in themselves — but karma just might toss a little magic your way for doing the right thing.

5. "The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo" — Rooney Mara. Wow. It seemed a thankless task to follow Noomi Rapace, the electrifying lone-wolf in the Swedish-language adaptation of Stieg Larsson's best-seller. But Mara goes deeper and darker with a controlled detonation of a performance in David Fincher's Hollywood version. As a disgraced journalist who teams with Larsson's avenging angel, Daniel Craig is an anchor of cool rationality around which Mara revolves like a demon. Fincher — one of the least sentimental directors around — and Larsson's harsh emotional terrain are an ideal match of filmmaker and material.

6. "50/50" — Who says cancer can't be entertaining? Inspired by his own medical battle, screenwriter Will Reiser tells an authentic tale where laughter, lust, selfishness and duplicity don't go away just because of a little tumor. Every cancer patient should have a lewd, crude friend like the one Joseph Gordon-Levitt has here in Seth Rogen. Director Jonathan Levine juggles a jangle of emotions and keeps them all in the air, while the cast — including Anna Kendrick, Anjelica Huston and Bryce Dallas Howard — makes every moment genuine.

7. "Submarine" — Richard Ayoade's directing debut is dead on in the emotions — from blissful obsession to abrupt indifference — that accompany first love and teen desire. Craig Roberts as a big-eyed Welsh romantic and Yasmin Paige as a rebellious firebug are the unlikeliest but most adorable couple in all of Wales. Their tender story is sweetly shadowed by that of Roberts' dowdy parents (Sally Hawkins and Noah Taylor), seemingly a pair of dead fish who just might have a little spawning left in them.

8. "The Help" — You get a Big Hollywood Social Message — and you leave the theater with that feel-good spring in your step. First-time director Tate Taylor does a slick, smart job adapting childhood pal Kathryn Stockett's best-seller about black maids in 1960s Mississippi spilling the beans on their white employers. And where to begin with the performances? Viola Davis, Emma Stone, Octavia Spencer, Jessica Chastain, Bryce Dallas Howard — we can go on and on. Working-class help or idle gentry, every woman in the film is polished to brilliance.

9. "Troll Hunter" — This deliriously weird mock documentary is a wild ride through remote and alien landscapes of Norway, where huge, hideous trolls — yes, trolls — are on a bloody rampage. Director Andre Ovredal adds his own mad spin to the found-footage horror story a la "The Blair Witch Project" and "Cloverfield." Purportedly shot by filmmakers who disappeared while chronicling the exploits of a professional troll hunter, the film is a fresh, visceral take on the monster movie, loaded with impressive special effects and warped, wicked humor.

10. "The Muppets" — Somewhere back in the 1980s, there were two shows a college girlfriend and I never missed: "SCTV" and "The Muppet Show." Director James Bobin, Jason Segel and Amy Adams team for a gentle, loving rebirth for Kermit and pals, filled with those schmaltzy, toe-tapping Muppet tunes and giddily corny gags. The movie is an elaborate production, but it feels guileless and timeless. Don't know what became of the college girlfriend. But it's nice having the Muppets back in our lives. Mah na mah na.

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BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, & the Wardrobe Four siblings find a wardrobe leading to a bewitched land of talking animals.						KMID News	(:35) News Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7	Ent. Tonight	Gift Man "In Case of Separation Anxiety"		CSI: NY "To What End?"		Blue Bloods "Family Ties"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) LateL.
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Soup"	The Secret Circle "Bound"		The Secret Circle "Loner"		Cops	'Til Death	King of Queens	South Park	SouthPk "Wing"	Roseanne
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Two and Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Kitchen Nightmares "PJ's Steakhouse"		Fringe "Subject 9"		The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Mother "Miracles"	Loves Ray	Law & Order: C.I. "Seizure"	
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. Denis Otero	Update News	Doorways to Wisdom		Light of the Southwest Best of Week				Update News	Dr. Alewine	Baruch Ben	Dr. R.Booker
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	Be Millionaire	Chuck "Chuck Versus the Baby" (N)		Grimm "Bears Will Be Bears"		Dateline NBC		News-West 9	(:35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno		(:35) LateNight
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Washington Week	Need to Know	Masters "Troubadours: Carole King, James Taylor"			American Stamps	Charlie Rose		BBC News	Tavis Smiley 2/2
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KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Office	30 Rock	Monk		Monk		My News	Earl	30 Rock	Sunny	Scrubs	Access H.
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:30) The Dark C...		(:05) ★★ Pitch Black ('00, Thril) Vin Diesel.				Blair Witch 2: Book of Sha...			(:35) ★★ Booty Call		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:15) Diary of a ...		24/7 "Flyers/Rangers"		Tim (N)	TruBlood	(:20) True Blood		(:20) True Blood		(:20) True Blood	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:00) The Dilemma		★★★ Clash of the Titans			(:45) 1stLk	Thrones "Baelor"		Game of Thrones		Flyers/ Rangers: NHL	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:15) Kissing a Fool		Boardwalk Empire		Boardwalk Empire		★★ Due Date			(:40) Six Feet Under		Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:40) Little Fockers		(:20) ★★★ Unstoppable				Strike Back		Lingerie	Life Top	StrikeBk	(:50) Zane
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★ A Nightmare on Elm Street				StrikeBk	(:50) ★★★ Event Horizon				★★ Conviction Hilary Swank.		
PLEX			96			(:20) ★★ Race the Sun Halle Berry.				★★★ If Looks Could Kill			★★★ First Knight Sean Connery.				Movie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:25) ★★ Inglourious Basterds Brad Pitt.				★★ The Company Men Ben Affleck.				Boxing Shobox: The New Generation Card TBA			
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:25) Day Night D...		★★ The Twilight Saga: New Moon				(:10) ★★ The Twilight Saga: Eclipse				(:15) I Hope The...	
CABLE																	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "Demonology"		Criminal Minds "Omnivore"		Criminal Minds "Corazon"		Criminal Minds "The Thirteenth Step"		Criminal Minds "House on Fire"		Criminal Minds "Omnivore"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:30) Wild, Wild ...		★★★ The Addams Family				★★ Addams Family Values				★★ The Watcher	
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) 106 & Park		★★ Undercover Brother Eddie Griffin.				★ Soul Plane ('04, Com) Tom Arnold.				Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Millionaire		Millionaire		★★★ The Bourne Supremacy				(:20) ★★★ The Bourne Supremacy			
CNBC	46	45		39	72	BMW		Bio. "Sam Walton"		60 Minutes		American Greed		Mad Money		60 Minutes	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan		A. Cooper 360		OutFront		Piers Morgan	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Rush "Slippery Slope"		Gold Rush		Gold Rush Special		Flying Wild Alaska		Gold Rush Special		Flying Wild Alaska	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	Jessie	Jessie	Austin	A.N.T. "America Needs TalANT"			GoodLuck	Austin	Austin	Jessie	Jessie
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:40) NCAA Football Music City Bowl MS St./Wake F. (L)						NCAA Football Insight Bowl Iowa vs. Oklahoma (L)					
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball West Mich. vs Duke (L)				NCAA Basketball W.Va./Set. Hall (L)				SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:00) Dirty Dancing		★★ Grease ('78, Mus) Olivia Newton-John, John Travolta.						The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	BestAte	BestAte	Bama (N)	Paula	Paula (N)	Paula (N)	Diners	Diners	Iron Chef America		Paula	Paula
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	ProFootball Week	Mavericks Insider	Mavs Pre (L)	NBA Basketball Toronto Raptors vs. Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)					Mavericks Live (L)	ProFootball Week	Action Sports Tour MegaRamp ASA Triples	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Mother	M-Mother	★★ The Curious Case of Benjamin Button ('08, Dra) Cate Blanchett.							★★★ Jarhead		
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	(5:00) The Ultimat...		Debbie Macomber's Trading Christmas				The Good Witch's Gift Catherine Bell.				The Santa Suit	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	House	House	House	House	House	HH House	House	House	House	House	House
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Modern History		Time Machine				To Be Announced		Hardcore History		Time Machine	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		America's Most Wanted		America's Most Wanted		Starving Secrets "Breaking the Chain"		Unsolved Mysteries	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		The Ed Show		Rachel Maddow		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Kung Fu	Sponge	'70s	'70s	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Best of Pride (N)		UFC Unleashed		UFC Prelims (L)		Gangland		Gangland		Gangland	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(4:30) House of Wax		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Sanctuary (N)		Sanctuary		Sanctuary	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinf. "The Trip" 2/2	House of Payne (N)	House of Payne (N)	House of Payne	House of Payne	★★★ Pretty Woman A wealthy businessman hires a free-spirited call girl to be his companion for a week.					Miss Congen...
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	One Week		★★★ Tootsie ('82, Com) Dustin Hoffman.				★★★★ Oklahoma! ('55, Mus) Gordon MacRae.					Shaft
TELE	20	8	10	20		★★ 2 Fast 2 Furious Paul Walker.				Pistolero ('95, Act) Antonio Banderas.				Noticiero	Titulares	Sin senos	Decision
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TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order "Girlfriends"		★★★ Transformers ('07, Act) Shia LeBoeuf. Two alien robot tribes battling for supremacy come to Earth seeking an energy source.						★★ Deep Impact (1998, Action) Morgan Freeman, Robert Duvall, Elijah Wood.			
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VERSUS	38	39				Game On!	Dangerous	Elk Fever	Buck Stops	Gun It	Winch.	NFL Turning Point		NBC Sports Talk		NFL Turning Point	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Mother "Glitter"	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	WGN News	NBA Basketball Pre-season Chicago Bulls vs. Los Angeles Clippers Site: Staples Arena -- Los Angeles, Calif. (L)				

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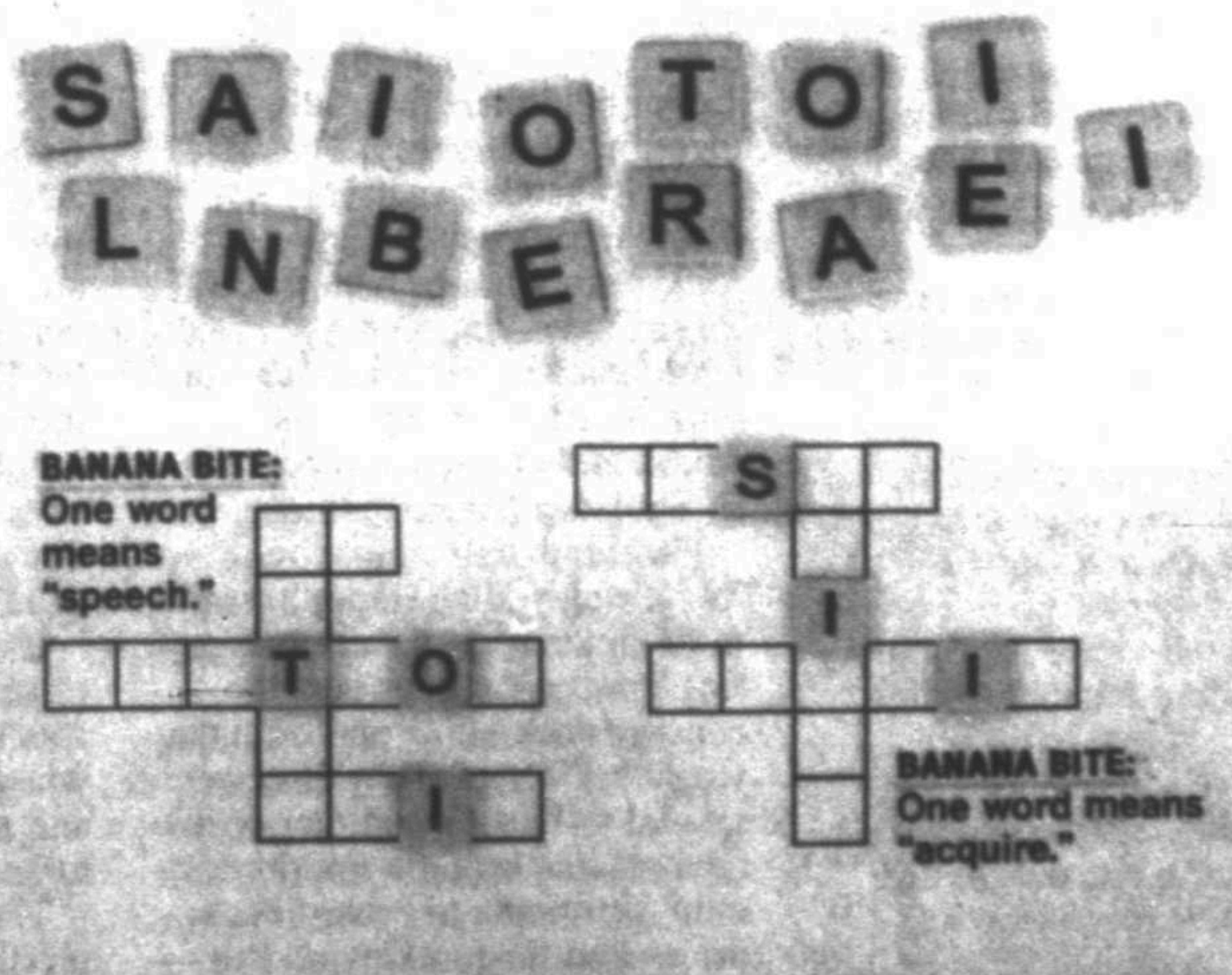

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Protesters march through the Bolshoi Moskvoretsky bridge Dec. 10 during a rally to protest alleged vote rigging in Russia's parliamentary elections in Moscow. Russians angered by allegedly fraudulent parliamentary elections and the country's ruling party took part in protests in cities from the freezing Pacific Coast to the southwest, eight time zones away.

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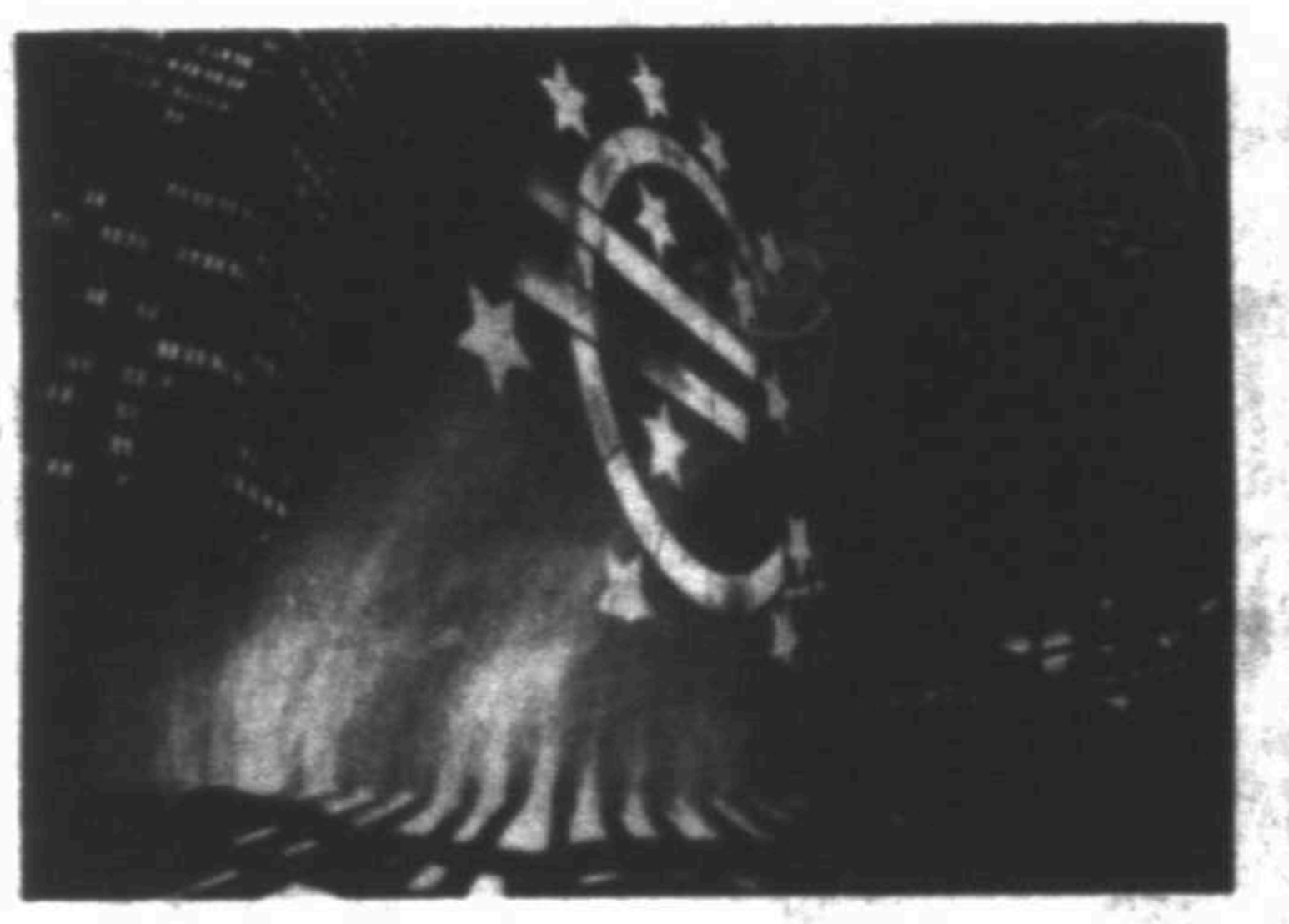

A tsunami floods over the breakwater protecting the coastal city of Miyako at Heigawa estuary area March 11 after northeastern Japan was hit by a powerful earthquake. LEFT One of the villagers welcoming Myanmar democracy icon Aung San Suu Kyi kisses her July 7 as she visits Nyaung Oo market in Nyaung U village, Myanmar. Suu Kyi was visiting the village with her youngest son Kim Aris and members of the National League for Democracy party. FAR LEFT Activists of the Occupy Frankfurt movement set up a fire Nov. 3 near the Euro sculpture in front of the European Central Bank in Frankfurt, Germany.

AP file photos

2011: the year some pillars of world order shook

Marcus Eliason
Associated Press

The Arab Spring swept across the Middle East, toppling dictators in a rolling surge of street protest. Europe's currency plunged into crisis, bringing down elected prime ministers. An earthquake and tsunami pummeled Japan, confronting it with the specter of nuclear disaster.

It was a year that shook the pillars of the established order. Even in an era of change and moment-to-moment communications across the planet, 2011 felt extraordinary. Week after week, month after month, across continents and oceans, the news just kept on coming.

At times the post-World War II, postcolonial, post-Cold War dispensation seemed to tremble under shows of people power not seen in the 22 years since the fall of the Berlin Wall.

By year's end at least three Arab leaders were gone, and at least three European prime ministers had been toppled by the upheaval over the euro, a currency that was supposed to symbolize a strengthened, united Europe.

First to fall to the Arab Spring was President Zine El Abdine Ben Ali, cast into exile six weeks after a disgruntled vegetable vendor sparked an uprising by setting himself on fire.

The fastest revolution was Egypt's. It took just 18 days, and vast crowds gathered in central Cairo to force the resignation of President Hosni Mubarak who had ruled the most populous Arab nation for nearly 30 years.

The bloodiest revolution was the one against Libya's Moammar Gadhafi, 42 years in power, who was toppled by a concerted NATO bombing campaign, then killed in circumstances still under investigation.

The slowest-burning revolt was Yemen's, stretching from February until November, when President Ali Abdullah Saleh agreed to step down by Dec. 23. Still raging on were daily demonstrations against Syrian President Bashar Assad, in which the U.N. said more than 5,000 people died. The island kingdom of Bahrain fought street battles with its subjects; another kingdom, Jordan, experienced street protests.

The tensions didn't stop there. The U.N.'s atomic agency renewed accusations that Iran secretly worked on a nuclear weapon, Western sanctions on Iran intensified, and a mob seized the British Embassy in Tehran in retaliation.

The longer-term results of the convulsions triggered by the Arab Spring were far from clear.

The immediate outcome was a surge in support for long suppressed Islamic movements, whose strength was quickly apparent when Tunisia and Egypt held their first fully free elections in memory. The Islamist successes in Egypt threw into question Egypt's long-term alliance with the U.S., its strongest financial and diplomatic backer, and its peace treaty with Israel, long supported by Mubarak but deeply unpopular in Egyptian public opinion.

Facebook and cellphone images played an important role in organizing protesters and getting dramatic scenes past the censors back home and onto the world's TV sets. They also were crucial to Israel's summer of discontent that brought multitudes onto the streets to protest high prices and inequalities; to Russians' unprecedented demonstrations against Prime Minister Vladimir Putin; and to the "occupy" movements that began in New York against Wall Street and spread to other continents in protest against those responsible for the financial meltdowns of the past two years.

Dysfunctional finances dominated the headlines in 2011, particularly in Europe, starting with a bailout for Greece's faltering economy. As other weak economies came under pressure and faced the likelihood of painful budget austerity, the prime ministers of Greece and Italy were forced to resign, and their Spanish counterpart was ousted in an election.

While street politics and financial fears dominated the headlines, the U.S.'s nearly nine-year war in Iraq reached its end with the low-key departure of the last American soldiers. It had left 4,500 Americans and 110,000 Iraqis dead, divided Americans, angered international public opinion and cost more than $800 billion. What was left was a fragile democracy and a potential for violence underscored by a bombing in December that killed 21 Shiite pilgrims in a religious procession.

Meanwhile, the war in Afghanistan ground on with more than 500 foreign troops, almost 400 of them American, killed in combat against the Taliban in 2011.

NATO had spent another year trying to train up to 350,000 Afghan troops and police to take over security once foreign forces are gone in 2014. But this year was marked by several spectacular Taliban operations, among them the downing of a U.S. military helicopter, killing 30 Americans and seven Afghan commandos aboard— the war's single deadliest loss of American lives.

Osama bin Laden, mastermind of the 9/11 attacks on the U.S., was killed by U.S. Navy Seals who helicoptered into Pakistan and raided the house where he turned out to have been living.

The triumph was soured by recriminations with Pakistan, the U.S.'s vital ally in the war against the Taliban, for invading its air space, and then by the news that some of the Seals who killed bin Laden were among the 30 Americans on the helicopter downed in Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, just as Haiti's earthquake opened 2010 with the grimmest of news, March 2011 saw Japan's biggest earthquake on record send a tsunami crashing into the country's eastern coast, leaving 19,334 people dead or missing by government count, and inflicting damage estimated at nearly $220 billion.

At the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant complex, three reactor cores melted down and an estimated one-fifth the radiation of Chernobyl poured into the surrounding air, water, soil and forests. Radiation leaks have since fallen dramatically, but a 20-kilometer (12-mile) zone round the plant remains off-limits and nearly 100,000 residents who fled their homes remain in limbo, unsure when they can return, if ever.

While nearly all the rubble along the coast has been cleared, rebuilding is only just beginning. But the overall economy has largely bounced back.

If the Japanese earthquake was Asia's worst horror of the year, Europe's took place in Norway, where a homegrown terrorist set off a bomb in Oslo's government district, then went to a summer camp dressed as a police officer and gunned down youths as they ran and swam for their lives. The attacks killed 77 people in the peaceful nation's worst violence since World War II. Psychiatric experts have since declared the self-styled anti-Muslim militant legally insane.

On the science front, the world said goodbye to the U.S. space shuttle as it closed three decades of service with its last flight in July. An E coli bacteria outbreak in Europe spread to 15 countries and killed 68 people. Scientists reported sightings of particles that appeared to defy Albert's Einstein's theories by traveling faster than light. Other scientists said they were closing in on a possible key building block to the universe popularly known as the "God particle."

Sex scandals took their turn in the headlines, first with charges that Italian Prime Silvio Berlusconi paid an underage prostitute for sex, then with the arrest of Dominique Strauss-Kahn, head of the International Monetary Fund, accused of sexually assaulting a chambermaid in a Manhattan hotel. While Berlusconi faced trial, New York prosecutors dropped their case against Strauss-Kahn.

2011 witnessed a landmark in the political thawing of Myanmar, formerly Burma, long under military rule but making moves toward democracy that made possible a visit by U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

Meanwhile, in Africa, a new nation was born out of civil war as South Sudan broke away from Sudan and became a U.N. member state. Palestine also set out to achieve membership but its bid stalled in the Security Council. However, the Palestinians managed this year to win recognition by UNESCO, the U.N. cultural agency.

In Central America, the Mexican drug war between cartels and government forces marked its fifth year, having claimed tens of thousands of lives. And Daniel Ortega, the one-time Sandinista revolutionary, was reelected president of Nicaragua by a landslide, having sidestepped a constitutional limit on re-election.

For Britain, 2011 was a grim year of street riots and looting that shook its cities in the summer, and of revelations of privacy-invading foul play by its tabloid newspapers that appalled the nation. And as the year ended it found itself accused by its European partners of letting them down for refusing to join their pact to save the euro.

Yet all the same, the British managed to produce something to capture hearts around the world and offer assurance that some pillars of the old order still stand firm: the wedding of Kate Middleton to Prince William, son of the late Princess Diana — a union of commoner and blueblood that promised to revitalize the British monarchy.

Sports

In the finals

MHS beats Americas, moves on to play Plainview

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

Just as it is for most players making their first varsity start, Desare Allen felt a bit nervous about the situation.

But if Allen was having any jitters, it certainly didn't show on the floor. The Midland High sophomore post scored four consecutive key points in the third period of the Lady Bulldogs' semifinal game of the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic against El Paso Americas, igniting the Lady Dawgsto a 37-32 victory at Chaparral Center.

"Nerve-wracking," said Allen of her emotions heading into her first varsity start. "I was nervous."

With the win, the Lady Dawgs advance to the championship game against Plainview at 3:30 p.m. today at Chaparral Center. It's the eighth time in the past 13 years Midland High and Plainview have met in the Byron Johnston title game. Plainview has won all seven of those previous meetings, including last season's matchup with thrilling 52-50 victory.

But for nearly three periods of play, the Lady

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Lady Bulldogs 37
Trail Blazers 32

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Midland High's Tana Driver drives around El Paso Americas' Jazmine Mendivil on Thursday evening at the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic at Chaparral Center

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Ray Douglas, center, puts up a shot in between two Plainview defenders, Jerrod Bailey, right, and Quavein Thomas, left, Thursday night at the Byron Johnston Hioliday Classic game at MHS gym.

Rebels win 2 at MHS gym

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

Lee boys basketball coach Mark Coffman just laughed when asked if he might consider playing the rest of his home games at the Midland High gym.

But after Thursday, Coffman said it was worth considering as Lee, who entered the day with three wins on the season, won two straight in its crosstown rival's gym, the second of which was an 85-72 win against Plainview in the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic.

"We're going to call them up and see if they'll let us play over here tomorrow," Coffman said with a laugh.

The win, which came after a thrilling 61-58 double overtime win against Alief Hastings, marked Lee's largest margin of victory this season and put the Rebels in today's third-place game against Austin High.

Of course, the Rebels' ability to adapt to their new digs for the day wasn't the only reason for the two wins.

Senior Ray Douglas, who left the team for personal reasons after the Mansfield Spring Creek Holiday Classic wrapped up Dec. 3, returned to the team for the Byron Johnston.

And after barely playing Wednesday, Douglas made his presence known Thursday, pacing the Rebels with a game-high 23 points off the bench against Hastings, then returnig to the starting lineup against Plainview to score 10 points and dish out a team-high four assists.

"I felt like I got my family back," Douglas said of playing with his teammates Thursday. "I feel great."

Douglas' return to the point allowed Anthony McCoy to move to shooting guard, where he scored 12 points on 50-percent shooting. And Douglas' sharing was contagious as the Rebels recorded 11 assists as a team.

That benefitted big men Jarrod Johnson and Jordan Williams who scored 24 points and 17 points, respectively, on a combined 15-of-17 shooting.

"I thought Jordan Williams finished plays tonight, which we hadn't been doing," Coffman said. "But I thought our guards did a good job of getting him the ball where he could do that."

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Byron Johnston Holiday Classic

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Consolation final
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Third-place game
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Championship
Game 12: Plainview vs. Midland High, 3:30 p.m.

BOYS
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All games at Chaparral Center unless noted.
Pool A: Midland High, Clear Brook, Waco High, Austin High
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Fifth-place game
Plainview vs. Waco High, 11 a.m.
Seventh-place game
Alief Hastings vs. Midland High, 12:30 p.m., MHS gym
Third-place game
Lee vs. Austin High, 2 p.m.
Championship
Little Elm vs. Clear Brook, 5 p.m.

Darren Abate/AP

Baylor quarterback Robert Griffin III, rear, throws a pass during the first quarter of the Alamo Bowl against Washington on Thursday, at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

Baylor beats Huskies in high-scoring affair

From staff and wire reports

SAN ANTONIO — Baylor's defense made a late stand on fourth down, and then Terrence Gannaway iced a 67-56 Bears victory with a 43-yard run late in the fourth quarter in the Valero Alamo on Thursday night at the Alamodome.

Washington had a 49-39 lead with just under eight minutes remaining in the third quarter, but the Bears began their charge late in the quarter to take the lead.

Bears 67
Huskies 56

Ganaway scored two rushing touchdowns, one with 6:01 remaining in the third, another with 58 seconds remaining to take a 53-49 lead into the fourth quarter.

Washington, though, came back to take the lead again when Keith Price scored on an 8-yard run with 9:40 remaining in the game.

Ganaway, though, scored his fourth and fifth touchdowns in the fourth quarter as his 4-yard run with 8:15 remaining was the eventual game winner, and then his 43-yard scamper with 2:28 left iced the game.

Former MLB reliever Smith to keynote banquet

From staff reports

The Midland RockHounds announced on Thursday that former Major League relief pitcher Lee Smith will be the keynote speaker for this year's West Texas Sports Banquet & Memoribilia Auction.

The event is scheduled for Feb. 1 at Midland Country Club, and will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction and dinner at 6:15 p.m.

Smith

Smith, a Hall of Famer, pitched for the Midland Cubs in 1978 and 1979, both as a starter and a reliever, recording a 5.98 earned run average in 30 games.

Smith played his first Major League season in 1980 and when he retired in 1997 he was known as one of the game's top relief pitchers. Smith recorded 478 saves during his nearly three-decade Major League career.

Along with Smith, other guests expected to attend are are Oakland Athletics Director of Player Development Keith Lieppman, A's Director of Minor League Operations Ted Polakowski and RockHounds manager Steve Scarsone.

Jacks need consistency, wins as playoff push continues today

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

ODESSA — The Odessa Jackalopes are nearly three months into the season and get back to the grind today after a week long break for the holidays.

And the focus for the Jacks as they begin their quest for a playoff spot in the North American Hockey League's South Division is consistency.

The Jacks have shown glimpses of the type of consistency that is expected from head coach Paul Gillis, and other times have struggled.

As the Jacks return to the ice tonight for the first of two games in two days against the Texas Tornado at the Ector County Coliseum, Odessa's players know that time is growing short to make a playoff push.

Odessa and the Tornado will play at 7:05 p.m. today and Saturday as this weekend's games will be the final home games for the Jacks until Jan. 27.

Faust

"We've just got to start playing a little more consistently," said forward Willie Faust, who is second on the team in points this season with 17. "We have to take it game by game and now that the season is pretty much half over those close one-goal losses we had in the first half, we've gotta try to avoid those as much as possible with the number of games winding down. We have to get those two points every single game."

Earning those elusive two points for a victory has been tough for the Jacks during November and December. Since Nov. 4, Odessa is 5-7-2 and during that same stretch the Jacks have only won two games in a row once.

It's that kind of inconsistency that Faust said the Jacks have to overcome in this final part of the

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Odessa vs. Texas

- When: 7:05 p.m. today and Saturday
- Where: Ector County Coliseum
- Radio: KZFX 102.[illegible] FM

BYRON JOHNSTON ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

LEE 38, CANYON RANDALL 26

Lee shut out Canyon Randall in the opening period, setting the tone for a 38-26 victory in the opening game of Day 2 of the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic at Chaparral Center on Thursday.

The Lady Rebels led 9-0 after the opening period and increased that margin to 19-8 by halftime. Kortni Edwards led the Lady Rebels with 10 points with half of that total coming at the free-throw line. Randall was led by Reagan Klein's eight points.

The Lady Rebels advance to the consolation championship game where they'll take on Amarillo Tascosa at 9:30 a.m. today at Chaparral Center.

LEE 38, CANYON RANDALL 26

Canyon Randall — Reagan Klein 8, Arian Parr 6, Jasmine Mings 6, Mackenzie Johnston 5, Kameron Johnston 1

Lee (8-13) — Kortni Edwards 10, Cindy Benavides 8, Jaylean Lee 5, Landry Johnson 4, Shanese Ray 4, Jackie Rivas 4, Sheuna Standard 2, Daija Stanford 1

Canyon Randall	0	8	10	8—26
Lee	9	10	8	11—38

Free Throws — Randall 10-16, Lee 15-19. 3pt Field Goals — Randall 0, Lee 3 (Benavides 2, Edwards 1). Total Fouls — Randall 15, Lee 16. Fouled out — None.

Next: Amarillo Tascosa vs. Lee, 9:30 a.m. today, Chaparral Center; Seminole vs. Canyon Randall, 9:30 a.m. today, Midland High gym.

AMARILLO TASCOSA 38, SEMINOLE 28

Amarillo Tascosa pulled out to a 10-point lead after the first period and it held up in a 38-28 victory against Seminole at Chaparral Center on Thursday. With the win, Tascosa advances the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic's consolation championship against Lee at 9:30 a.m. today at Chaparral Center.

Tascosa led 14-4 after the first period and never looked back. Seminole had a small rally in the fourth to make it just a 10-point loss. Mariah Jefferies led Tascosa with 13 points, while Kaleen Sarli and McKaylee Weishuhn scored seven each to lead Seminole.

The Maidens play a guarantee game against Canyon Randall at 9:30 a.m. today at Midland High gym.

AMARILLO TASCOSA 38, SEMINOLE 28

Tascosa — Mariah Jefferies 13, Taunshea King 9, La Travia Taylor 5, Krista Pollard 4, Lindsey Combs 3, Becca Vogler 2, Stevie Oglesby 2

Seminole — Kaleen Sarli 7, McKaylee Weishuhn 7, Myka Alvidrez 5, Haley Gann 3, Bailey Waller 2, Destini Thomas 2, Chavez 2

Tascosa	14	8	10	6—38
Seminole	4	4	8	12—28

Free throws — AT 7-11, Seminole 5-11. 3-point goals — AT 5 (Jefferies 3, Combs, Taylor), Seminole 3 (Sarli 2, Alvidrez). Total fouls — AT 14, Seminole 7. Fouled out — None.

Next: Amarillo Tascosa vs. Lee, 9:30 a.m. today, Chaparral Center; Seminole vs. Canyon Randall, 9:30 a.m. today, Midland High gym.

PLAINVIEW 46, ODESSA HIGH 22

Plainview coasted into the championship game of the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic with a 46-22 victory against Odessa High at Chaparral Center on Thursday.

The Lady Bulldogs led 14-6 after the first period, but had that lead trimmed to 18-11 by halftime. They opened the second half on a 10-1 run to put Odessa High away.

Laura Castillo and Kristian Reynolds each had 14 points to lead Plainview, while Karli Wheeler added 12. LaTanya McMaryion and Corisha Williams led Odessa High with six points each.

Plainview takes on Midland High in the championship game at 3:30 p.m. today at Chaparral Center. The matchup marks the eighth time in the last 13 years of the tournament Plainview and Midland High have played in the championship game. Plainview has won each of the prior matchups, including last season's, 52-50.

Odessa High plays El Paso Americas in the third-place game at 12:30 p.m. today at Chaparral Center.

PLAINVIEW 46, ODESSA HIGH 22

Odessa High — LaTanya McMaryion 6, Corisha Williams 6, Jasmine Watkins 4, Alex Carpio 3, Mikayla Ballew 2, Destiny Mims 1

Plainview — Kristian Reynolds 14, Laura Castillo 14, Karli Wheeler 12, Natalie Tunnell 2, Bailey Davis 2, Taivia Hearn 2

Odessa High	6	5	6	5—22
Plainview	14	4	15	13—46

Free throws — OHS 4-9, PV 7-10. 3-point goals — OHS 4 (McMaryion 2, Williams, Watkins), PV 5 (Castillo 3, Wheeler 2). Total fouls — OHS 10, PV 12. Fouled out — None.

Next: Odessa High vs. El Paso Americas, 12:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center; Plainview vs. Midland High, 3:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center.

Boys

LEE 61, ALIEF HASTINGS 58, 2 OT

Jarrod Johnson scored the go-ahead bucket on a driving layup with 38 seconds left in the second overtime to help Lee pull out a thrilling 61-58 win against Alief Hastings on Thursday at the Midland High gym.

Ray Douglas, back in the Lee lineup for just the second straight game, came off the bench to lead the Rebels with 23 points on 10 of 12 shooting, including four points in the final overtime.

Hastings erased a seven-point fourth-quarter lead and grabbed the lead before Douglas tied it at 48 with 1:08 remaining in the fourth on a driving layup of his own, which sent the game to overtime.

Hastings held a slim lead in the first overtime, but Douglas tied it again at 53 with a runner off the glass with one minute to play that sent the game to a second overtime.

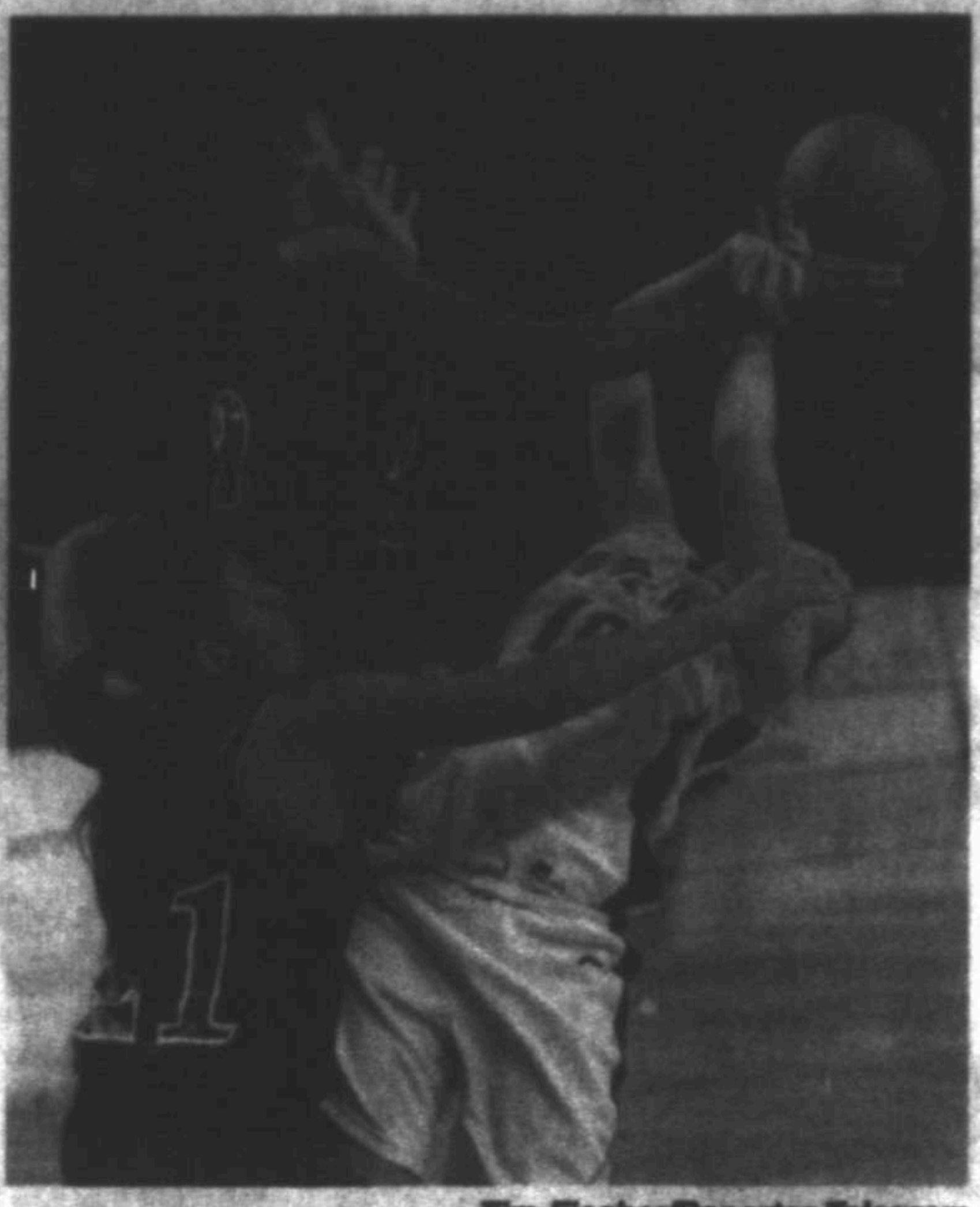
Finally, in the second overtime, it was Johnson's turn to step up, scoring the go-ahead basket before an unforced turnover by Hastings allowed Tavi Hubbard to seal the win with two free throws with 11 seconds to play.

LEE 61, ALIEF HASTINGS 58, 2 OT

Lee — Anthony McCoy 6, Ray Douglas 23, Jarrod Johnson 15, Chili Hubbard 4, Tavi Hubbard 11, Jonathon Maldonado 2.

Hastings — Ray Edwards 10, Andre Johnson 7, Cortez Jordan 2, Joel Nnandi 4, Alex Gonzales 4, Nakia Smith 3, Shawn Johnson 15, John Ogoe 7, Derrel Brown 6.

Lee	9	10	20	9	58—61
Hastings	15	9	11	13	55—58



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Midland High's Krystal Valdez is fouled hard by El Paso Americas' Adeola Akomolafe as Naidy Ortiz also defends Thursday evening at the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic at Chaparral Center

Free throws — Lee 16-23, Hastings 13-24 3-point goals — Lee 4 (McCoy 2, C. Hubbard, T. Hubbard), Hastings 4 (A. Johnson, S. Johnson, Brown 2). Total fouls — Lee 20, Hastings 18. Fouled out — Hastings, Jordan. Technical fouls — none. Assists — Lee 3 (Williams 2). Rebounds — Lee 27 (Williams 8), Hastings 28 (Edwards 12). Turnovers — Lee 13, Hastings 14.

NO. 20 CLEAR BROOK 81, MIDLAND HIGH 37

Clear Brook won its second straight game in the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic with an 81-37 win against tournament host Midland High early Thursday.

The Wolverines got a game-high 20 points from Fred Richardson and 18 points from Taylor Thomas to lead them to victory.

Richardson paced the team in the first half with 13 points while Thomas pushed them to the finish line with 14 in the second half.

Midland High improved on its tournament opener, where it scored just two points in the second quarter, but wasn't able to keep up with the Wolverines, as a 13-point halftime lead ballooned to a 33-point lead heading into the fourth quarter.

T.J. Brown led Midland High with 12 points and was the only Bulldog to score in double figures.

CLEAR BROOK 81, MIDLAND HIGH 37

Clear Brook — Chase Mullen 9, KJ Boyd 9, Shedrick Lewis 4, Prince Albert 5, Davon West 3, Jovan Yancy 5, Chris Campbell 8, Fred Richardson 20, Taylor Thomas 18.

Midland High — Wesley Don Juan 2, Jacob Makowsky 2, Nick Jimenez 2, T.J. Brown 12, Donavon Lee 6, Mazelle Justice 2, Austin Watson 3, Sean Matchus 4, Jon Lobaugh.

Clear Brook	17	14	28	22—81
MHS	9	9	8	11—37

Free throws — Clear Brook 7-10, Midland High 6-9. 3-point goals — Clear Brook 2 (Richardson 2), Midland High 3 (Brown 2, Watson). Total fouls — Clear Brook 11, Midland High 13. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.

LITTLE ELM 83, NO. 18 ITALY 39

Little Elm raced out to a 36-point halftime lead as it coasted to an 83-39 win against Italy in Thursday's first game at Midland High.

Biron Joseph scored 12 of his game-high 19 points in the first quarter to stake his team to a 26-4 lead heading into the second quarter. It was the second time Joseph scored that many in the opening quarter in the tournament.

Joseph got help from Jalen Bridges, Kewan Slater, Michael Blanchette and Cardell Best, who all scored in double figures as well.

Devonta Simmons led Italy with 12 points.

LITTLE ELM 83, NO. 18 ITALY 39

Little Elm — Biron Joseph 19, Jalen Bridges 18, Devante Pullum 1, Kewan Slater 12, Michael Blanchette 12, Cardell Best 14, Anthony Egwu 2, Lamont West 5.

Italy — Tre Robertson 4, Jase Holden 6, Devonta Simmons 12, Carson 3, Larry Mayberry 7, Cole Hopkins 5.

Little Elm	26	23	13	21—83
Italy	4	9	12	14—39

Free throws — Little Elm 6-8, Italy 6-15. 3-point goals — Little Elm 9 (Joseph 3, Bridges 3, Blanchette 3), Italy 1 (Hopkins). Total fouls — Little Elm 19, Italy 8. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none

AUSTIN HIGH 52, WACO HIGH 48

Austin High survived a late push by Waco High to defeat the Lions, 52-48, Thursday at Chap Center.

Waco High, who entered the fourth quarter down seven after being tied at halftime, pulled within two points of Austin High in the final minute and had a chance to tie, but two Matt McGowan free throws rimmed out with 13 seconds to play.

Austin High sealed the game with two free throws of its own with seven seconds to play for its second straight win in the tournament.

Austin High's Patrick Strake led all scorers with 16 points while Chris Moore added 13.

Patrick Bean and McGowan led Waco High with 14 points and 12 points, respectively.

AUSTIN HIGH 52, WACO HIGH 48

WHS — Eric Ervin 2, Matt McGowan 12, Daron Jefferson 4, Tyler Taylor 6, Patrick Bean 14, Hopkins 5, Darius Bible 2, Devion Green 3.

AHS — Isaiah Stewart 4, Dorian Parks 9, Chris Moore 13, Matt Jones 5, Patrick Strake 16, Isaiah Sterling 5.

WHS	13	9	10	16—48
AHS	14	8	17	13—52

Free throws — Waco High 6-16, Austin High 13-18. 3-point goals — Waco High 4 (McGowan 2, Bean 2), Austin High 3 (Strake 2, Moore). Total fouls — Waco High 20, Austin High 16. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.

PLAINVIEW 64, NO. 18 ITALY 52

Avysh Hervey poured in 26 points as Plainview rolled to a 64-52 win against Italy in the final early game at Chap Center.

Plainview jumped out to a 24-9 lead at the end of the first thanks to three 3-pointers by Jaylon Jackson, who added 17 points for the Bulldogs.

Larry Mayberry led Italy with 16 as the Gladiators fell for the second time Thursday.

PLAINVIEW 64, NO. 18 ITALY 52

Italy — Tre Robertson 7, Caden Jacinto 8, Devonta Simmons 8, Larry Mayberry 16, Cole Hopkins 13.

Plainview — Jaylon Jackson 17, Kendrick Fennell 7, Daniel Miller 4, Chris Salazar 4, Josh Smiley 6, Avysh Hervey 26.

Italy	9	16	17	10—52
Plainview	24	20	11	9—64

Free throws — Italy 6-8, Plainview 5-8. 3-point goals — Italy 4 (Robertson, Jacinto 2, Hopkins), Plainview 5 (Jackson 3, Hervey 2). Total fouls — Italy 10, Plainview 13. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.

LITTLE ELM 67, ALIEF HASTINGS 36

Little Elm punched its ticket to the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic boys championship by blowing open a close game for a 67-36 win against Alief Hastings.

The Loboes led by two points at halftime, but outscored Hastings 43-14 in the second half.

Devante Pullum and Biron Joseph combined for all but five of Little Elm's second-half points and scored 24 points and 21 points, respectively to lead the Lobos.

Cortez Jordan was the only player to score in double figures for Hastings, notching a team-high 10 points.

LITTLE ELM 67, ALIEF HASTINGS 36

Hastings — Ray Edwards 8, Andre Johnson 2, Cortez Jordan 10, Alex Gonzales 7, Nakia Smith 2, Shawn Johnson 5, John Ogoe 2.

Little Elm — Biron Joseph 21, Jalen Bridges 2, Devante Pullum 24, Kewan Slater 10, Anthony Egwu 6, Lamont West 4.

Hastings	7	15	9	5—36
Little Elm	10	14	21	22—67

Free throws — Hastings 4-12, Little Elm 7-17. 3-point goals — Hastings 2 (Jordan, S. Johnson), Little Elm 3 (Joseph 2, Pullum). Total fouls — Hastings 16, Little Elm 18. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.

CLEAR BROOK 73, AUSTIN HIGH 64

Clear Brook survived a late Austin High surge to move on to the boys championship in a 73-64 victory Thursday at Midland High.

Fred Richardson paced the Wolverines with a game-high 23 points to help them build a 12-point halftime lead.

But Austin High came roaring back behind the efforts of Patrick Strake, who scored a team-high 20-points.

The Maroons pulled within two early in the fourth quarter, but Clear Brook pulled away as Strake spent the last 4:29 of the game on the bench after fouling out.

Clear Brook had four players score in double figures behind Richardson while Dorian Parks added 11 for Austin High.

CLEAR BROOK 73 AUSTIN HIGH 64

Clear Brook — Chase Mullen 15, KJ Boyd 4, Davon West 10, Chris Campbell 11, Fred Richardson 23, Taylor Thomas 10.

AHS — Isaiah Stewart 4, Dorian Parks 11, Chris Moore 13, Matt Jones 1, Mario Trevino 3, Patrick Strake 20, Winzel Sterling 2, Cole Carper 4, Jon Brodnax 6.

Clear Brook	21	21	17	14—73
AHS	13	17	21	13—64

Free throws — Clear Brook 26-37, Austin High 11-18. 3-point goals — Clear Brook 3 (Mullen 2, Richardson), Austin High 2 (Trevino, Strake). Total fouls — Clear Brook 17, Austin High 20. Fouled out — Austin High, Strake, Sterling, Carper. Technical fouls — none.

WACO HIGH 64, MIDLAND HIGH 54

Midland High erased a 12-point deficit and eventually grabbed the lead in the fourth quarter but wasn't able to hold on as it fell 64-54 to Waco High for its third straight loss in its host tournament.

Waco High went up 23-11 after the first quarter, but the Bulldogs responded by holding the Lions to six points in the second quarter then exploding for 19-points in the third quarter to pull within a point heading into the final quarter.

Midland High was able to grab a slim lead in the fourth, but Waco High, led by a combined 26 points from Josh Porter and Tyler Taylor, pulled away late to earn the 10-point win.

Four Bulldogs scored in double figures in the game, including sophomore Mazelle Justice, who had a team-high 15 points in the contest.

Nick Jimenez and Donavon Lee added 10 points apiece for the Bulldogs, while T.J. Brown had 13 points.

WACO HIGH 64, MIDLAND HIGH 54

Waco High — Matt McGowan 4, Daron Jefferson 4, Josh Porter 14, Adrian Norwood 6, Tyler Taylor 12, Patrick Bean 7, Jaquaze Hopkins 2, Darius Bible 5, Devion Green 5, Marques Smith 5.

Midland High — Jacob Makowsky 2, Nick Jimenez 10, T.J. Brown 13, Donavon Lee 10, Mazelle Justice 15, Sean Matchus 4.

WHS	23	6	14	21—64
MHS	11	12	19	12—54

Free throws — Waco High 12-24, Midland High 9-18. 3-point goals — Waco High 4 (Porter 2, Norwood, Taylor), Midland High 1 (Jimenez). Total fouls — Waco High 17, Midland High 15. Fouled out — Midland High, Justice. Technical fouls — Waco High, Bean.

MHS

From 1C

Dawgs' appearance in the championship game for a third straight season seemed in doubt. Midland High trailed Americas 19-16 at halftime and found itself tied with the Trailblazers at 22 with less than two minutes to play in the third period.

That's when Allen, who started in the place of injury senior Megan Woodard, took control. After drawing a foul and connecting on two free throws to put the Lady Dawgs up 24-22, Allen then took advantage of a deflected pass by fellow post Catarina Rendon.

The Midland High sophomore broke on the loose ball in the back court and quickly made her way, unimpeded for a layup that gave MHS a 26-22 advantage with 1:32 left in the third period. The Lady Dawgs didn't trail in the game again.

"All I saw was the ball being tipped off and took it in for the layup," said Allen, who finished with six points.

But it wasn't just on offense where Allen made an impact. She also proved pivotal on the boards, pulling down a game-high nine rebounds, while also being asked to guard Americas' most talented player — freshman post Adeola Akomolafe.

Allen matched Akomolafe in every fashion, holding her to six points and nine rebounds.

"I felt really privileged to guard their best player," Allen said. "It made me feel like I had to really step up and play better."

Akomolafe did hit a tough basket in the game's final minutes, driving to the basket and managing to get a layup to go in over two MHS defenders to pull the Lady Blazers within 33-30 with 2:01 to play. Lady Blazers junior guard Maria Olivas then hit a layup with 53 seconds remaining, making it a 33-32 MHS lead.

The Lady Blazers were forced to start fouling the Lady Dawgs, though, and fouled the wrong player. MHS senior Krystal Valdez did what she's done all season — knock down key free throws in clutch situations. Valdez went 4-for-4 at the line in the game's final 32 seconds, securing the MHS victory.

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MIDLAND HIGH 37, EL PASO AMERICAS 32

Americas — Pauleen Gonzalez 8, Maria Olivas 6, Adeola Akomolafe 6, Emily Sanchez 4, Victoria Lopez 2, Jazmine Mendivil 2, Jazmin Flores 2, Vanessa Granados 2

Midland High (11-11) — Krystal Valdez 15, Desare Allen 6, Tana Driver 5, Elaine Herrera 5, Megan Hoppel 3, Kristyn Wilbanks 2, Catarina Rendon 1

Americas	8	11	3	10—32
Midland High	8	8	10	11—37

Free throws — EPA 5-12, MHS 14-18. 3-point goals — EPA 1 (Sanchez), MHS 1 (Valdez). Total fouls — EPA 16, MHS 10. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — EPA 25 (Akomolafe 9), MHS 26 (Allen 9). Assists — EPA 3 (Granados 2), MHS 3 (Driver 3). Turnovers — EPA 15, MHS 17.

Next: El Paso Americas vs. Odessa High, 12:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center; Midland High vs. Plainview, 3:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center.

REBELS

From 1C

But Plainview, who never led in the game, didn't go easy, seemingly coming up with a run every time the game seemed in hand, whether it was a 9-2 run in the first to pull within three or an 11-0 run in the third to practically cut a 24-point deficit in half.

Yet Lee responded to each run, first with back-to-back 3-pointers from McCoy and Douglas to give Lee a nine-point lead at the end of the first quarter, then with a 6-0 run to push its lead back to 19 in the third quarter.

Plainview got as close as nine on a deep 3-pointer by Jaylon Jackson to start the fourth quarter, but the Rebels promptly ripped off six straight points, capped by a Williams putback with 6:28 to play that made it 67-52.

Lee overcame 22 points from Josh Smiley and 18 from Jackson to go up by as many as 21 in the fourth quarter.

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Lee High's Octavious Hubbard takes the ball to the basket as Plainview's Chris Salazar defends Thursday night at the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic game at the MHS gym.

The resiliency was a sign of the resolve Lee entered the day with after opening the tournament with two disappointing losses against Italy and Little Elm.

"No more losses...no more losses," Johnson said of his team's mentality. "Just play harder and harder every game."

And now that the Rebels feel like they're at full strength for the first time in nearly a month, that mentality figures to pay dividends for the team, whether they're playing at Midland High or not.

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LEE 85, PLAINVIEW 72

Plainview — Jaylon Jackson 18, Quanvion Thomas 6, Daniel Miller 4, Chris Salazar 13, Josh Smiley 22, Avysh Hervey 8.

Lee (5-14) — Anthony McCoy 12, Grant Coffman 9, Ray Douglas 10, Jarrod Johnson 24, Chili Hubbard 3, Tavi Hubbard 4, Talor Nunez 4, Jordan Williams 17, Jonathon Maldonado 2.

Plainview	11	13	25	23—72
Lee	20	19	22	24—85

Free throws — Plainview 20-26, Lee 24-30. 3-point goals — Plainview 3 (Jackson 2, Smiley 1), Lee 3 (McCoy 2, Douglas). Total fouls — Plainview 22, Lee 19. Fouled out — Lee, Williams. Technical fouls — Plainview, Hervey. Assists — 4 (Thomas 2), Lee 11 (Douglas 4). Rebounds — Plainview 23 (Salazar 8), Lee 26 (Williams 8). Turnovers — Plainview 15, Lee 22.

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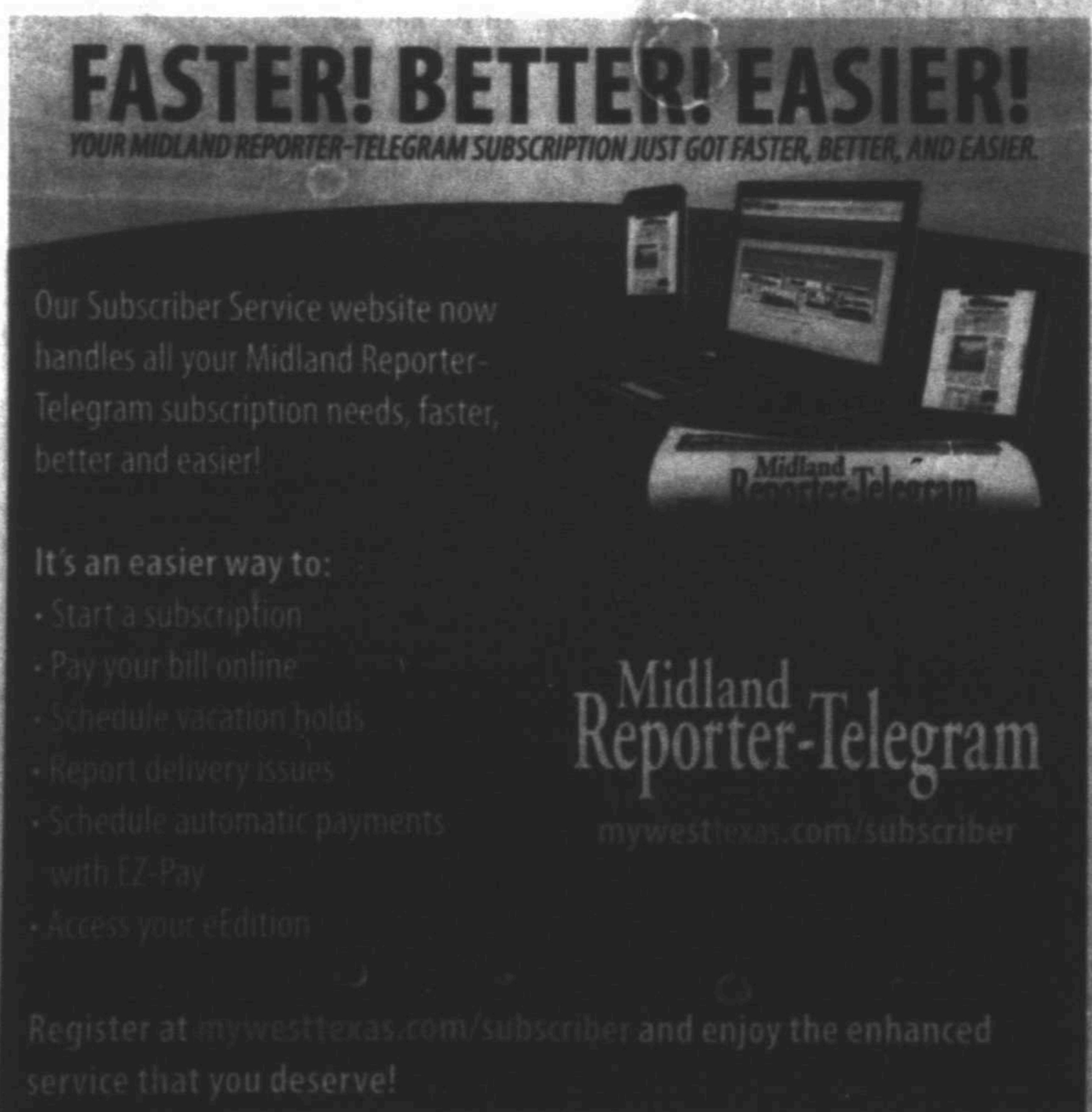

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Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	1	1	.500	—
Toronto	1	1	.500	—
Philadelphia	1	1	.500	—
New Jersey	1	2	.333	1/2
Boston	0	3	.000	1 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	3	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	2	0	1.000	1/2
Orlando	2	1	.667	1
Charlotte	1	1	.500	1 1/2
Washington	0	2	.000	2 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	2	0	1.000	—
Cleveland	1	1	.500	1
Chicago	1	1	.500	1
Milwaukee	1	1	.500	1
Detroit	0	2	.000	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New Orleans	2	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	2	1	.667	1/2
Houston	1	1	.500	1
Memphis	0	2	.000	2
Dallas	0	3	.000	2 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	4	0	1.000	—
Denver	2	0	1.000	1
Portland	2	0	1.000	1
Minnesota	0	2	.000	3
Utah	0	2	.000	3

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	2	1	.667	—
L.A. Clippers	1	1	.500	1/2
Sacramento	1	1	.500	1/2
L.A. Lakers	1	2	.333	1
Phoenix	0	2	.000	1 1/2

Thursday's Scores

Orlando 94, New Jersey 78
Houston 105, San Antonio 85
Oklahoma City 104, Dallas 102
Chicago at Sacramento, late
Denver at Portland, late
New York at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Orlando at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Miami at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Houston at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Utah, 8 p.m.
Chicago at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOXES

ROCKETS 105, SPURS 85

SAN ANTONIO (85): Jefferson 2-10 0-1 5, Duncan 1-8 2-2 4, Blair 8-17 6-8 22, Parker 6-15 0-1 12, Ginobili 4-8 0-0 8, Leonard 3-7 2-4 8, Anderson 1-3 1-2 3, Splitter 4-8 2-2 10, Bonner 1-5 0-0 3, Ford 1-1 0-0 2, Green 3-7 0-0 6, Joseph 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 35-93 13-20 85.

HOUSTON (105): Budinger 1-3 0-0 2, Scola 9-12 0-0 18, Hill 2-4 2-3 6, Lowry 5-10 4-4 16, Martin 10-17 1-2 25, Dalembert 1-3 2-2 4, Dragic 3-10 0-0 6, Lee 4-10 0-0 9, Williams 2-4 0-0 6, Parsons 2-5 1-2 5, Flynn 0-0 0-0 0, Morris 1-4 0-0 2, Thabeet 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 43-85 10-13 105.

San Antonio	18	17	24	26	— 85
Houston	23	30	25	27	— 105

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 2-17 (Bonner 1-3, Jefferson 1-5, Parker 0-1, Anderson 0-1, Green 0-2, Ginobili 0-2, Leonard 0-3), Houston 9-26 (Martin 4-6, Williams 2-2, Lowry 2-4, Lee 1-5, Budinger 0-2, Parsons 0-2, Dragic 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 59 (Blair 12), Houston 51 (Lowry 9). Assists—San Antonio 12 (Splitter 3), Houston 21 (Lowry 8). Total Fouls—San Antonio 10, Houston 17. Technicals—Houston defensive three second. A—18,267 (18,043).

THUNDER 104, MAVERICKS 102

DALLAS (102): Marion 4-11 0-0 8, Nowitzki 9-17 10-10 29, Haywood 4-7 0-1 8, Kidd 1-3 0-0 3, West 5-10 4-4 15, Terry 6-17 0-0 16, Odom 2-11 0-0 4, Williams 1-2 0-0 2, Carter 3-8 0-2 8, Mahinmi 3-4 3-4 9. Totals 38-90 17-21 102.

OKLAHOMA CITY (104): Durant 10-16 7-9 30, Ibaka 6-9 4-8 16, Perkins 2-2 3-3 7, Westbrook 6-15 4-6 16, Sefolosha 0-0 0-0 0, Harden 4-8 6-6 15, Collison 4-4 0-0 8, Maynor 2-4 0-0 5, Cook 2-4 0-0 5, Mohammed 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 37-63 24-32 104.

Dallas	29	23	24	26	— 102
Oklahoma City	28	28	22	26	— 104

3-Point Goals—Dallas 9-26 (Terry 4-8, Carter 2-3, West 1-2, Kidd 1-3, Nowitzki 1-4, Marion 0-2, Odom 0-4), Oklahoma City 6-14 (Durant 3-5, Maynor 1-1, Cook 1-3, Harden 1-4, Westbrook 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 45 (Nowitzki 10), Oklahoma City 45 (Durant 11). Assists—Dallas 25 (Terry 9), Oklahoma City 19 (Durant 6). Total Fouls—Dallas 24, Oklahoma City 19. Technicals—Carter, Nowitzki, West, Williams, Harden, Ibaka. A—18,203 (18,203).

MAGIC 94, NETS 78

NEW JERSEY (78): James 2-2 0-0 4, Humphries 3-5 3-5 9, Okur 4-9 0-0 9, D.Williams 2-12 6-8 10, Gaines 3-9 2-4 8, Stevenson 3-4 0-0 9, Morrow 2-10 0-0 4, Petro 1-2 0-0 2, Farmar 1-1 0-0 2, Sha.Williams 1-4 0-0 2, Brooks 7-15 1-2 17, She.Williams 0-4 2-2 2. Totals 29-77 14-21 78.

ORLANDO (94): Turkoglu 5-14 0-0 11, Anderson 7-14 5-6 22, Howard 7-9 2-9 16, Nelson 0-3 0-0 0, J.Richardson 6-14 4-6 16, Davis 2-8 1-2 5, Redick 6-11 1-2 15, Duhon 3-6 0-0 9, Hughes 0-2 0-0 0, Harper 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-81 13-25 94.

New Jersey	16	28	18	16	— 78
Orlando	28	22	25	19	— 94

3-Point Goals—New Jersey 6-17 (Stevenson 3-4, Brooks 2-2, Okur 1-1, Gaines 0-2, Sha.Williams 0-2, Morrow 0-3, D.Williams 0-3), Orlando 9-21 (Duhon 3-4, Anderson 3-5, Redick 2-3, Turkoglu 1-4, Hughes 0-1, Nelson 0-1, J.Richardson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Jersey 53 (Humphries 10), Orlando 59 (Howard 24). Assists—New Jersey 17 (D.Williams 7), Orlando 25 (Turkoglu 7). Total Fouls—New Jersey 26, Orlando 19. Technicals—New Jersey defensive three second 2. A—18,954 (18,500).

College Football

THURSDAY'S BOWL BOX

No. 25 FLORIDA ST. 18, NOTRE DAME 14

Florida St.	0	0	3	15	— 18
Notre Dame	7	0	7	0	— 14

First Quarter

ND—Motta 29 fumble return (Ruffer kick), 9:04.

Third Quarter

ND—Floyd 5 pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 11:24.

FSU—FG Hopkins 42, 9:03.

Fourth Quarter

FSU—Reed 18 pass from Manuel (pass failed), 14:54.

FSU—Greene 15 pass from Manuel (run failed), 13:18.

FSU—FG Hopkins 29, 8:05.

A—68,305.

	FSU	ND
First downs	13	19
Rushes-yards	29-41	35-93
Passing	249	187
Comp-Att-Int	20-31-0	19-35-3
Return Yards	57	45
Punts-Avg.	6-47.3	7-40.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-44	5-39
Time of Possession	29:51	30:09

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Florida St., Freeman 13-48, Wilder 4-10, Abram 1-3, Manuel 11-(minus 20). Notre Dame, C.Wood 18-60, Riddick 8-36, Hendrix 4-26, Team 1-(minus 1), Rees 4-(minus 28).

PASSING—Florida St., Manuel 20-31-0-249. Notre Dame, Rees 16-27-2-163, Hendrix 3-8-1-24.

RECEIVING—Florida St., Greene 5-99, Shaw 4-64, R.Smith 4-34, Wilder 2-14, Freeman 2-12, Reed 1-18, Pryor 1-5, Green 1-3. Notre Dame, Eifert 6-90, Floyd 5-41, Toma 4-34, Riddick 2-7, C.Wood 1-8, Jones 1-7.

FCS PLAYOFFS

NCAA Football Championship Subdivision Playoff Glance

First Round

Saturday, Nov. 26

James Madison 20, Eastern Kentucky 17
Old Dominion 35, Norfolk State 18
Stony Brook 31, Albany (N.Y.) 28
Central Arkansas 34, Tennessee Tech 14

Second Round

Saturday, Dec. 3

Georgia Southern 55, Old Dominion 48
Montana 41, Central Arkansas 14
Maine 34, Appalachian State 12
Sam Houston State 34, Stony Brook 27
Montana State 26, New Hampshire 25
Lehigh 40, Towson 38
North Dakota State 26, James Madison 14
Northern Iowa 28, Wofford 21

Quarterfinals

Friday, Dec. 9

Montana 48, Northern Iowa 10

Saturday, Dec. 10

Sam Houston State 49, Montana State 13
Georgia Southern 35, Maine 23
North Dakota State 24, Lehigh 0

Semifinals

Friday, Dec. 16

Sam Houston State 31, Montana 28

Saturday, Dec. 17

North Dakota State 35, Georgia Southern 7

Championship

Saturday, Jan. 7

At Pizza Hut Park

Frisco

Sam Houston State (14-0) vs. North Dakota State (13-1), Noon

NFL

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New England	12	3	0	.800	464	321
N.Y. Jets	8	7	0	.533	360	344
Buffalo	6	9	0	.400	351	385
Miami	5	10	0	.333	310	296

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Houston	10	5	0	.667	359	255
Tennessee	8	7	0	.533	302	295
Jacksonville	4	11	0	.267	224	316
Indianapolis	2	13	0	.133	230	411

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Baltimore	11	4	0	.733	354	250
x-Pittsburgh	11	4	0	.733	312	218
Cincinnati	9	6	0	.600	328	299
Cleveland	4	11	0	.267	209	294

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	8	7	0	.533	306	383
Oakland	8	7	0	.533	333	395
San Diego	7	8	0	.467	368	351
Kansas City	6	9	0	.400	205	335

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	8	7	0	.533	363	386
Dallas	8	7	0	.533	355	316
Philadelphia	7	8	0	.467	362	318
Washington	5	10	0	.333	278	333

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New Orleans	12	3	0	.800	502	322
x-Atlanta	9	6	0	.600	357	326
Carolina	6	9	0	.400	389	384
Tampa Bay	4	11	0	.267	263	449

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Green Bay	14	1	0	.933	515	318
x-Detroit	10	5	0	.667	433	342
Chicago	7	8	0	.467	336	328
Minnesota	3	12	0	.200	327	432

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Francisco	12	3	0	.800	346	202
Seattle	7	8	0	.467	301	292
Arizona	7	8	0	.467	289	328
St. Louis	2	13	0	.133	166	373

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Thursday's Score

Indianapolis 19, Houston 16

Saturday's Scores

Oakland 16, Kansas City 13, OT
Tennessee 23, Jacksonville 17
Pittsburgh 27, St. Louis 0
Buffalo 40, Denver 14
Carolina 48, Tampa Bay 16
Minnesota 33, Washington 26
Baltimore 20, Cleveland 14
New England 27, Miami 24
N.Y. Giants 29, N.Y. Jets 14
Cincinnati 23, Arizona 16
Detroit 38, San Diego 10
San Francisco 19, Seattle 17
Philadelphia 20, Dallas 7

Sunday's Score

Green Bay 35, Chicago 21

Monday's Score

New Orleans 45, Atlanta 16

Sunday, Jan. 1

Chicago at Minnesota, Noon
Carolina at New Orleans, Noon
Detroit at Green Bay, Noon
San Francisco at St. Louis, Noon
Tennessee at Houston, Noon
Buffalo at New England, Noon
N.Y. Jets at Miami, Noon
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, Noon
Washington at Philadelphia, Noon
San Diego at Oakland, 3:15 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 3:15 p.m.
Seattle at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 3:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Cincinnati, 3:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 3:15 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, 7:30 p.m.

Injury Report

NEW YORK — The National Football League injury report, as provided by the league (OUT - Definitely will not play; DNP - Did not practice; LIMITED - Limited participation in practice; FULL - Full participation in practice):

Note: games involving Texas teams only

DALLAS COWBOYS at NEW YORK GIANTS — COWBOYS: DNP: LB Sean Lee (wrist, illness), S Danny McCray (ankle), NT Jay Ratliff (ribs), LB DeMarcus Ware (neck). LIMITED: NT Josh Brent (knee), WR Andre Holmes (hamstring), CB Mike Jenkins (shoulder), RB Felix Jones (hamstring), WR Kevin Ogletree (knee), QB Tony Romo (right hand). FULL: P Mat McBriar (left foot), WR Laurent Robinson (shoulder). GIANTS: DNP: TE Jake Ballard (knee), RB Ahmad Bradshaw (foot), LB Mark Herzlich (ankle), WR Hakeem Nicks (hamstring). LIMITED: WR Mario Manningham (knee), DE Osi Umenyiora (ankle, knee)

TENNESSEE TITANS at HOUSTON TEXANS — TITANS: DNP: TE Daniel Graham (illness), WR Lavelle Hawkins (ankle), RB Chris Johnson (ankle), DE Jason Jones (ankle), DE Derrick Morgan (not injury related), DT Shaun Smith (knee). FULL: LB Gerald McRath (knee, ankle). TEXANS: DNP: G Mike Brisiel (ankle), CB Sherrick McManis (ankle), S Troy Nolan (ankle), S Glover Quin (not injury related). LIMITED: NT Shaun Cody (knee), TE Owen Daniels (knee), TE Joel Dreessen (knee), WR Andre Johnson (hamstring), WR Bryant Johnson (thigh), WR Jeff Maehl (hamstring). FULL: CB Jason Allen (thumb), NT Earl Mitchell (knee), C Chris Myers (knee), T Eric Winston (calf), QB T.J. Yates (right shoulder).

Playoff Scenarios

AFC

CLINCHED: New England-East Division and first-round bye; Houston-South Division; Baltimore and Pittsburgh-wild-card spots.

NEW ENGLAND

— Clinches home-field advantage throughout AFC playoffs with:

Win or tie OR

Baltimore loss or tie AND Pittsburgh loss or tie

BALTIMORE

— Clinches AFC North Division and first-round bye with:

Win OR

Tie AND Pittsburgh loss or tie OR

Pittsburgh loss

— Clinches home-field advantage throughout AFC playoffs with:

Win AND New England loss

PITTSBURGH

— Clinches AFC North Division and first-round bye with:

Win AND Baltimore loss or tie OR

Tie AND Baltimore loss OR

— Clinches home-field advantage throughout AFC playoffs with:

Win AND Baltimore loss or tie AND New England loss

DENVER

— Clinches AFC West Division with:

Win OR

Tie AND Oakland loss or tie OR

Oakland loss

OAKLAND

— Clinches AFC West Division with:

Win AND Denver loss or tie OR

Tie AND Denver loss

— Clinches wild-card spot with:

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND Tennessee loss or tie OR

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND N.Y. Jets win

CINCINNATI

— Clinches wild-card spot with:

Win or tie

N.Y. Jets loss or tie AND Oakland loss or tie

N.Y. Jets loss or tie AND Denver loss or tie

N.Y. JETS

— Clinch wild-card spot with:

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND Tennessee loss or tie AND Oakland loss or tie

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND Tennessee loss or tie AND Denver loss or tie

TENNESSEE

— Clinches wild-card spot with:

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND N.Y. Jets win AND Oakland loss or tie

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND N.Y. Jets win AND Denver loss or tie

Win AND Cincinnati loss AND N.Y. Jets loss or tie AND Oakland win AND Denver win

NFC

CLINCHED: Green Bay-North Division and home-field advantage throughout NFC playoffs; New Orleans-South Division; San Francisco-West Division, Atlantaand Detroit-wild-card spots.

SAN FRANCISCO

— Clinches first-round bye with:

Win OR

New Orleans loss OR

Tie AND New Orleans tie

NEW ORLEANS

— Clinches first-round bye with:

Win and San Francisco loss or tie OR

Tie and San Francisco loss

N.Y. GIANTS

— Clinch NFC East Division with:

Win or tie

DALLAS

— Clinches NFC East Division with:

Win

Calendar

Jan. 1, 2012 — Regular season ends
Jan. 7-8 — Wild-card playoffs
Jan. 14-15 — Divisional playoffs
Jan. 22 — Conference championships
Jan. 29 — Pro Bowl, Honolulu
Feb. 5 — Super Bowl, Indianapolis
Feb. 22-28 — NFL combine, Indianapolis

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Kent St. 69, Arkansas St. 54
Texas A&M 76, Arkansas Tech 58
Texas-Arlington 83, Texas-Pan American 56
UALR 69, North Texas 66

EAST

Fordham 72, Georgia Tech 66
Harvard 67, Boston College 46
Hofstra 83, Iona 75
La Salle 70, Boston U. 53
Mount St. Mary's 49, American U. 42
Rutgers 85, Florida 83, 2OT
Sacred Heart 77, New Hampshire 59
St. Francis (NY) 66, Brown 49

SOUTH

Belmont 79, Marshall 74
Davidson 75, Penn 70
E. Kentucky 67, Austin Peay 65
East Carolina 84, NC Central 76
Florida Gulf Coast 84, Maine 72
LSU 69, Grambling St. 37
Louisiana Tech 69, Spring Hill 41
Memphis 64, Robert Morris 47
Middle Tennessee 71, FIU 66
NC State 87, Campbell 81
North Carolina 100, Elon 62
Southern Miss. 80, Alcorn St. 49
Southern U. 73, Loyola NO 66
Tennessee 86, The Citadel 55
Tennessee St. 83, UT-Martin 67
Wake Forest 72, Yale 71

MIDWEST

Butler 53, Green Bay 49
Evansville 78, S. Illinois 60
Ill.-Chicago 63, Detroit 59
Illinois St. 65, N. Iowa 61
Kansas 89, Howard 34
Miami (Ohio) 73, William & Mary 69
Michigan 71, Penn St. 53
Milwaukee 57, Valparaiso 55
SIU-Edwardsville 83, Tennessee Tech 68
VCU 76, Akron 75, OT
Wright St. 64, Loyola of Chicago 48

FAR WEST

Denver 79, Troy 62
N. Arizona 73, Sacramento St. 64
San Jose St. 81, Coppin St. 66
Washington 95, Oregon St. 80

TOURNAMENT

Cable Car Classic

First Round

Wagner 72, Air Force 61

Don Haskins Sun Bowl Invitational

Third Place

UTEP 79, Ark.-Pine Bluff 58

Dr Pepper Classic

First Round

Chattanooga 85, Longwood 50
Utah Valley 42, Hampton 40

UCF Holiday Classic

First Round

UCF 80, Stetson 70

TOP 25 FARED

Thursday

1. Syracuse (14-0) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Sunday.

2. Ohio State (13-1) did not play. Next: at No. 13 Indiana, Saturday.

3. Kentucky (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Louisville, Saturday.

4. Louisville (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. Western Michigan, Friday.

5. North Carolina (12-2) beat Elon 100-62. Next: vs. Monmouth (NJ), Sunday.

6. Baylor (13-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Monday.

7. Duke (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Pennsylvania, Sunday.

8. Missouri (12-0) did not play. Next: at Old Dominion, Friday.

9. UConn (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. St. John's, Saturday.

10. Florida (10-3) lost to Rutgers 85-83, 2OT. Next: vs. Yale, Saturday.

11. Wisconsin (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa, Saturday.

12. Georgetown (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Providence, Saturday.

13. Indiana (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Ohio State, Saturday.

14. Marquette (11-2) lost to Vanderbilt 74-57. Next: vs. Villanova, Sunday.

15. Mississippi State (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Utah, Saturday.

16. Michigan State (12-2) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Saturday.

17. Kansas (9-3) beat Howard 89-34. Next: vs. North Dakota, Saturday.

18. Michigan (11-2) beat Penn State 71-53. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday.

19. UNLV (14-2) did not play. Next: at Hawaii, Saturday.

20. Murray State (13-0) did not play. Next: at Eastern Illinois, Friday.

21. Creighton (10-2) did not play. Next: at Wichita State, Saturday.

22. Pittsburgh (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. Cincinnati, Sunday.

23. Virginia (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Towson, Friday.

24. Harvard (11-1) beat Boston College 67-46. Next: vs. Saint Joseph's, Saturday.

25. San Diego State (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Redlands, Friday.

THURSDAY'S TEXAS BOX SCORES

UALR 69, NORTH TEXAS 66

UALR (4-10): Jackson 1-2 1-2 3, Lockhart 1-3 2-3 4, Neighbour 5-13 7-8 19, Williams 5-11 6-10 19, Guy 4-9 2-2 12, Sutherland 0-2 0-0 0, Lawton 0-1 0-0 0, Louzeiro 0-0 0-0 0, Fondren 2-4 0-0 6, Dillard 0-2 0-0 0, Javes 2-2 2-2 6. Totals 20-49 20-27 69.

NORTH TEXAS (7-7): Mitchell 2-3 1-3 6, Hogans 3-4 0-1 6, A. Williams 7-10 0-0 14, Jones 3-11 2-7 8, J. Williams 2-7 5-6 10, Holmen 3-5 0-0 6, Walton 2-2 0-0 6, Norris 0-2 0-0 0, Stojiljkovic 0-3 0-0 0, Franklin 4-8 0-0 8, Edwards 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 27-57 8-17 66.

Halftime—UALR 23-19. 3-Point Goals—UALR 9-18 (Williams 3-4, Fondren 2-2, Neighbour 2-5, Guy 2-5, Sutherland 0-1, Lockhart 0-1), North Texas 4-11 (Walton 2-2, Mitchell 1-1, J. Williams 1-4, Norris 0-1, Holmen 0-1, Jones 0-2). Fouled Out—Mitchell. Rebounds—UALR 37 (Neighbour 11), North Texas 32 (Jones 8). Assists—UALR 7 (Williams 4), North Texas 15 (Jones 9). Total Fouls—UALR 18, North Texas 22. A—2,825.

TEXAS A&M 76, ARKANSAS TECH 58

ARKANSAS TECH (8-2): Davis 6-13 3-4 16, Cleveland 3-8 5-7 11, Paul 0-8 1-2 1, Williamson 3-9 2-2 9, Wayman 0-1 1-2 1, Hoard 4-8 0-0 12, Friedel 1-1 0-0 3, Pinkney 0-0 0-0 0, Mitchem 0-0 0-2 0, Arnold 1-2 0-1 2, White 0-1 0-0 0, Coles 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 19-55 13-22 58.

TEXAS A&M (9-3): Harris 3-8 2-4 10, Loubeau 1-2 3-5 5, Middleton 6-12 0-0 13, E. Turner 6-12 3-4 19, R. Turner 7-9 1-2 15, Hibbert 1-2 0-0 3, Davis 0-1 0-0 0, McDonald 0-0 0-0 0, Green 2-4 0-0 4, Alexander 3-5 0-2 6, Kinsley 0-2 0-0 0, Baird 0-0 0-2 0, Jolly 0-0 1-2 1, Jahns 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-57 10-21 76.

Halftime—Texas A&M 32-20. 3-Point Goals—Arkansas Tech 7-19 (Hoard 4-7, Friedel 1-1, Williamson 1-2, Davis 1-4, Cleveland 0-1, White 0-1, Paul 0-3), Texas A&M 8-16 (E. Turner 4-7, Harris 2-4, Hibbert 1-1, Middleton 1-3, Alexander 0-1). Fouled Out—Loubeau. Rebounds—Arkansas Tech 28 (Arnold, Hoard, Paul 4), Texas A&M 47 (R. Turner 15). Assists—Arkansas Tech 8 (Cleveland, Hoard 2), Texas A&M 23 (Green, Harris, Middleton, E. Turner 4). Total Fouls—Arkansas Tech 24, Texas A&M 19. A—8,519.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 83, TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN 56

TEXAS-ARLINGTON (7-5): Ingram 5-11 0-1 12, Butler 1-8 0-0 2, Reed III 4-9 3-4 11, Reves 4-8 1-2 9, White-Miller 3-3 0-0 6, Redmon 4-8 0-0 11, Lagerson 0-0 0-0 0, Gay 5-7 4-4 17, Osbourne 2-2 0-0 6, Catlett 3-6 0-0 6, Gruszecki 0-0 0-0 0, Edwards 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 32-65 9-13 83.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN (4-11): Cabrera 3-8 4-4 12, Jefferson 1-4 3-4 5, Provost 4-8 10-10 20, Maree 2-8 3-5 8, Weiermiller 0-2 0-0 0, Urbanus 4-11 0-0 11, J. Sanchez 0-0 0-0 0, Mason 0-0 0-0 0, Oyervides 0-0 0-0 0, Delgado 0-2 0-0 0, Cleveland 0-1 0-0 0, N. Sanchez 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 14-44 20-23 56.

Halftime—Texas-Arlington 42-31. 3-Point Goals—Texas-Arlington 10-21 (Gay 3-3, Redmon 3-4, Osbourne 2-2, Ingram 2-5, Butler 0-2, Edwards 0-2, Reed III 0-3), Texas-Pan American 8-22 (Urbanus 3-6, Provost 2-4, Cabrera 2-4, Maree 1-4, Jefferson 0-1, Delgado 0-1, Weiermiller 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Texas-Arlington 43 (Reves 11), Texas-Pan American 25 (Cabrera 6). Assists—Texas-Arlington 14 (Catlett 5), Texas-Pan American 10 (Weiermiller 4). Total Fouls—Texas-Arlington 20, Texas-Pan American 16. A—NA.

UTEP 79, ARK.-PINE BLUFF 58

ARK.-PINE BLUFF (1-11): Allen 2-3 1-1 5, Broughton 11-17 3-5 30, Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Anderson 7-15 2-2 18, Townsend 1-10 1-2 3, Jackson 0-2 0-0 0, Floyd 0-0 0-0 0, Harris 0-1 0-0 0, Nelson 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Weathers 0-0 0-0 0, Bailey 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-50 7-10 58.

UTEP (7-7): McCulley 8-11 2-2 18, Lang 9-9 4-6 22, Bohannon 5-10 4-6 14, Streeter 4-5 0-0 8, Perez 3-8 1-2 9, Cooper 0-4 0-0 0, Ragland 2-6 0-0 5, Perry 0-0 0-0 0, Tafoya 0-1 0-0 0, Campbell 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 32-55 11-16 79.

Halftime—UTEP 47-34. 3-Point Goals—Ark.-Pine Bluff 7-19 (Broughton 5-8, Anderson 2-6, Allen 0-1, Nelson 0-1, Townsend 0-1, Jackson 0-2), UTEP 4-18 (Perez 2-6, Campbell 1-1, Ragland 1-4, Tafoya 0-1, McCulley 0-2, Cooper 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Ark.-Pine Bluff 24 (Anderson 6), UTEP 33 (Bohannon 10). Assists—Ark.-Pine Bluff 8 (Townsend 3), UTEP 22 (Bohannon 7). Total Fouls—Ark.-Pine Bluff 12, UTEP 11. A—6,753.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

EAST

Northeastern at Vermont, 3:30 p.m.
Manhattan at Binghamton, 6 p.m.
Lafayette at Columbia, 6 p.m.
Temple at Delaware, 6 p.m.
NJIT at LIU, 6 p.m.
Mercer at Navy, 6 p.m.
Sacred Heart at New Hampshire, 6 p.m.
St. Bonaventure at Niagara, 6 p.m.
Rider at Stony Brook, 6 p.m.
CCSU at UMass, 6 p.m.
West Virginia at Seton Hall, 8 p.m.

SOUTH

Delaware St. at Georgia, 1 p.m.
UNC Greensboro at Richmond, 3 p.m.
Reinhardt at Alabama St., 6 p.m.
Georgia Southern at Auburn, 6 p.m.
George Mason at Coll. of Charleston, 6 p.m.
W. Michigan at Duke, 6 p.m.
Princeton at Florida St., 6 p.m.
Appalachian St. at Miami, 6 p.m.
Palm Beach Atlantic at North Florida, 6 p.m.
Missouri at Old Dominion, 6 p.m.
Furman at UNC Wilmington, 6 p.m.
Towson at Virginia, 6 p.m.
Montreat at Campbell, 6:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Mississippi at Dayton, 6 p.m.
W. Illinois at IUPUI, 6 p.m.
Kennesaw St. at Ohio, 6 p.m.
Murray St. at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.
IPFW at N. Dakota St., 7 p.m.
Oakland at S. Dakota St., 7 p.m.
Oral Roberts at South Dakota, 7 p.m.
S. Utah at UMKC, 7:05 p.m.

SOUTHWEST

Texas Southern at Arkansas, 7 p.m.
Texas-Tyler at Stephen F. Austin, 7 p.m.
Texas St. at Houston, 8 p.m.
SE Louisiana at Texas Tech, 8 p.m.

FAR WEST

E. Washington at Montana, 2 p.m.
Nebraska-Omaha vs. Coppin St. at Key Arena, Seattle, 8 p.m.
Portland St. at Montana St., 8 p.m.
Pomona-Pitzer at CS Bakersfield, 9 p.m.
Redlands at San Diego St., 9 p.m.
San Jose St. at Seattle, 10:15 p.m.

TOURNAMENTS

Cable Car Classic

At Santa Clara, Calif.

Third Place, 8 p.m.
Championship, 10:15 p.m.

Dr Pepper Classic

At Chattanooga, Tenn.

Third Place, 3:30 p.m.
Championship, 6 p.m.

UCF Holiday Classic

At Orlando, Fla.

Third Place, 6 p.m.
Championship, 8:30 p.m.

Women

THURSDAY'S SCORES

MIDWEST

Detroit 72, Butler 60
E. Illinois 72, N. Illinois 62
Missouri St. 79, Bradley 70
N. Dakota St. 77, IPFW 70
Ohio 75, George Mason 59
S. Dakota St. 62, Oakland 52
UMKC 81, S. Utah 61
Wichita St. 67, N. Iowa 40

FAR WEST

Bowling Green 60, Wyoming 53
CS Northridge 55, UC Irvine 49
E. Washington 79, Montana St. 73
Idaho 53, North Dakota 50
N. Colorado 72, Black Hills St. 35
Pacific 72, Cal St.-Fullerton 67

SOUTH

Coastal Carolina 61, SC-Upstate 56
Georgia Tech 74, NC A&T 57
Jacksonville 68, SC State 67
Kennesaw St. 61, Alabama St. 51
LSU 66, Louisiana Tech 55
Louisiana-Monroe 53, W. Kentucky 49
Mississippi 72, SE Louisiana 52
NC State 85, Alcorn St. 70
North Carolina 74, Savannah St. 21
Richmond 74, James Madison 66
Tennessee St. 95, Austin Peay 81
UNC Wilmington 59, Xavier 52
Vanderbilt 81, W. Carolina 36
Wake Forest 77, Md.-Eastern Shore 45

FAR WEST

Bowling Green 60, Wyoming 53
CS Northridge 55, UC Irvine 49
E. Washington 79, Montana St. 73
Idaho 53, North Dakota 50
N. Colorado 72, Black Hills St. 35
Pacific 72, Cal St.-Fullerton 67

TOURNAMENT

Cyclone Challenge

First Round

Buffalo 66, NJIT 53
Iowa St. 71, New Hampshire 57

FIU Sun & Fun Classic

First Round

Auburn 68, Charlotte 58
FIU 69, Albany (NY) 56

Fordham Holiday Classic

First Round

Coppin St. 59, Boston U. 44
Fordham 47, Navy 43

Hawk Holiday Classic

First Round

Monmouth (NJ) 69, Norfolk St. 62
Villanova 55, St. Bonaventure 44

Hilton Garden Inn Hokie Classic

Third Place

Virginia Tech 57, UMBC 52

Third Place

High Point 62, Cincinnati 40

Marriott Cavalier Classic

Third Place

Elon 60, Wagner 57

Third Place

Virginia 53, UMass 38

Miami Holiday Tournament

Third Place

Morgan St. 73, Holy Cross 66, OT

Third Place

Miami 91, VCU 61

Peppermill Holiday Classic

First Round

LIU 67, Nevada 51
Oklahoma St. 78, Mississippi St. 7

Saint Peter's Holiday Classic

First Round

Binghamton 70, St. Peter's 63
Dayton 73, South Florida 63

Terrapin Classic

Third Place

East Carolina 64, Lafayette 57 Third Place
Maryland 85, Delaware 76

Tulane/DoubleTree Classic

Third Place

Cent. Michigan 72, Coll. of Charleston 69 OT

Washington Dental Holiday Hoops

First Round

E. Michigan 66, Saint Louis 55
Seattle 74, St. Francis (Pa.) 70

TOP 25 FARED

Thursday

1. Baylor (12-0) did not play. Next: vs. MVSU, Friday.

2. UConn (11-1) beat Fairfield 93-40. Next: vs. West Virginia, Wednesday.

3. Notre Dame (12-1) did not play. Next: at Mercer, Friday.

4. Stanford (9-1) at Southern Cal. Next: at UCLA, Saturday.

5. Maryland (13-0) beat No. 19 Delaware 85-76. Next: at Florida State, Monday.

6. Kentucky (11-2) did not play. Next: at Florida, Sunday.

7. Tennessee (8-3) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Sunday.

8. Duke (8-2) did not play. Next: at Temple, Friday.

9. Ohio State (13-0) did not play. Next: at Wisconsin, Friday.

10. Texas A&M (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. McNeese State, Friday.

11. Rutgers (10-2) did not play. Next: at George Washington, Friday.

12. Miami (11-2) beat VCU 91-61. Next: at No. 24 North Carolina, Monday.

13. Texas Tech (10-0) vs. Cal State Bakersfield. Next: at San Diego, Friday.

14. Louisville (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Marquette, Tuesday.

15. Georgetown (11-2) beat Vermont 65-53. Next: at Dartmouth, Friday.

16. Penn State (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 23 Nebraska, Friday.

17. Georgia (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. Arkansas, Sunday.

18. Green Bay (11-0) beat Illinois-Chicago 80-63. Next: vs. Loyola of Chicago, Saturday.

19. Delaware (10-1) lost to No. 5 Maryland 85-76. Next: vs. Towson, Thursday.

20. Purdue (10-3) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Friday.

21. DePaul (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Northern Illinois, Saturday.

22. Texas (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas, Wednesday.

23. Nebraska (11-1) did not play. Next: at No. 16 Penn State, Friday.

24. North Carolina (9-2) beat Savannah State 74-21. Next: vs. North Carolina Central, Friday.

25. Vanderbilt (11-1) vs. Western Carolina. Next: at South Carolina, Thursday.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

SOUTHWEST

MVSU at Baylor, 7 p.m.
Ark.-Pine Bluff at Cent. Arkansas, 7 p.m.
Centenary at Lamar, 7 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at SMU, 7 p.m.
McNeese St. at Texas A&M, 7 p.m.
Rice at UTSA, 7 p.m.

MIDWEST

Michigan St. at Indiana, 5 p.m.
Chicago St. at Akron, 6 p.m.
Northwestern at Iowa, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Purdue, 6 p.m.
S. Illinois at Illinois St., 6:05 p.m.
Evansville at Indiana St., 6:05 p.m.
Michigan at Illinois, 7 p.m.
Sam Houston St. at Missouri, 7 p.m.
Ohio St. at Wisconsin, 7 p.m.

SOUTH

Florida St. at UCF, 3:30 p.m.
Kent St. at Bethune-Cookman, 4:30 p.m.
Gardner-Webb at Campbell, 6 p.m.
UAB at Clemson, 6 p.m.
Southern Wesleyan at Georgia Southern, 6 p.m.
Notre Dame at Mercer, 6 p.m.
NC Central at North Carolina, 6 p.m.
Elizabeth City St. at William & Mary, 6 p.m.
Air Force at Alabama, 6:30 p.m.
Southern NO at Nicholls St., 6:30 p.m.
Seton Hall at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Jackson St. at Northwestern St., 7 p.m.

EAST

Bryant at Columbia, 3:30 p.m.
Vermont vs. Georgetown at Leede Arena, Hanover, N.H., 4 p.m.
Rhode Island vs. James Madison at Stabler Arena, Bethlehem, Pa., 4 p.m.
W. Michigan at American U., 6 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Army, 6 p.m.
Georgetown at Dartmouth, 6 p.m.
Howard at Fairleigh Dickinson, 6 p.m.
Rutgers at George Washington, 6 p.m.
Sacred Heart at Manhattan, 6 p.m.
Nebraska at Penn St., 6 p.m.
Duke at Temple, 6 p.m.
Richmond at Lehigh, 6:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	35	22	9	4	48	103	76
Philadelphia	36	22	10	4	48	123	106
Pittsburgh	37	21	12	4	46	120	97
New Jersey	36	20	15	1	41	100	104
N.Y. Islanders	35	12	17	6	30	80	112

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	34	24	9	1	49	121	64
Toronto	37	18	14	5	41	116	122
Ottawa	37	17	15	5	39	113	128
Buffalo	36	17	16	3	37	97	106
Montreal	38	14	17	7	35	97	107

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	37	19	11	7	45	99	101
Winnipeg	37	18	14	5	41	101	105
Washington	36	18	15	2	38	104	106
Tampa Bay	36	16	17	3	35	99	120
Carolina	39	13	20	6	32	101	130

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	37	23	10	4	50	122	105
Detroit	36	23	12	1	47	118	81
St. Louis	36	21	11	4	46	94	80
Nashville	37	19	14	4	42	98	104
Columbus	37	10	22	5	25	91	124

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	37	23	12	2	48	123	90
Minnesota	39	21	12	6	48	93	91
Calgary	38	18	16	4	40	93	102
Colorado	38	19	18	1	39	101	111
Edmonton	36	15	18	3	33	99	100

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	34	19	11	4	42	99	83
Los Angeles	38	18	14	6	42	82	89
Dallas	36	20	15	1	41	98	105
Phoenix	37	18	15	4	40	96	98
Anaheim	35	10	19	6	26	83	115

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Thursday's Scores

N.Y. Islanders 3, Calgary 1
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 2
Carolina 4, Toronto 3, OT
Tampa Bay 4, Montreal 3
Minnesota 4, Edmonton 3
Winnipeg 1, Los Angeles 0, OT
Columbus 4, Dallas 1
Phoenix at Colorado, late
Vancouver at Anaheim, late

Friday's Games

Buffalo at Washington, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S SUMMARIES

BLUE JACKETS 4, STARS 1

Columbus	1	1	2	— 4
Dallas	1	0	0	— 1

First Period—1, Columbus, Nash 11 (Johansen), 3:50. 2, Dallas, Fiddler 5 (Dvorak, Grossman), 8:57.

Second Period—3, Columbus, Vermette 5 (Moore, Letestu), 2:10.

Third Period—4, Columbus, Nash 12 (Moore, Nikitin), 6:09. 5, Columbus, Tyutin 3 (Umberger, Methot), 19:58 (en).

Shots on Goal—Columbus 9-13-7—29. Dallas 19-9-9—37.

Goalies—Columbus, Mason. Dallas, Lehtonen. A—16,555 (18,532). T—2:25.

WILD 4, OILERS 3

Edmonton	1	1	1	— 3
Minnesota	1	3	0	— 4

First Period—1, Edmonton, Hall 10 (Eberle, Gilbert), 1:24. 2, Minnesota, Koivu 9 (Zidlicky, Zanon), 13:47.

Second Period—3, Minnesota, Palmer 1 (Brodziak), 10:02. 4, Minnesota, Bouchard 8 (Zidlicky, Zanon), 10:21. 5, Edmonton, Smid 3 (Hall, Eager), 14:40. 6, Minnesota, Heatley 12 (Zidlicky, Koivu), 15:26.

Third Period—7, Edmonton, Horcoff 8 (Smyth), 6:40.

Shots on Goal—Edmonton 9-9-12—30. Minnesota 10-9-8—27.

Goalies—Edmonton, Khabibulin, Dubnyk. Minnesota, Backstrom. A—19,194 (18,064). T—2:31.

HURRICANES 4, MAPLE LEAFS 3

Toronto	0	1	2	0	— 3
Carolina	1	0	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Carolina, Bra.Sutter 8 (Bowman), 4:15.

Second Period—2, Toronto, Kadri 3 (MacArthur), 1:43.

Third Period—3, Toronto, Kulemin 4 (Boyce, Grabovski), 6:36. 4, Toronto, Lupul 17 (Kessel, Bozak), 9:08. 5, Carolina, E.Staal 8 (Dalpe, Tlusty), 9:48. 6, Carolina, Dalpe 1 (Tlusty, E.Staal), 11:50.

Overtime—7, Carolina, E.Staal 9 (Faulk, McBain), 3:09 (pp).

Shots on Goal—Toronto 6-9-9-0—24. Carolina 5-10-16-3—34.

Goalies—Toronto, Reimer. Carolina, Ward. A—17,461 (18,680). T—2:30.

LIGHTNING 4, CANADIENS 3

Montreal	1	2	0	— 3
Tampa Bay	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Stamkos 23 (Kubina, Downie), 3:43. 2, Montreal, Cammalleri 8 (Desharnais, Diaz), 8:42 (pp).

Second Period—3, Montreal, Desharnais 6 (Kostitsyn, Diaz), 5:01. 4, Montreal, Cole 15 (Pacioretty, Kaberle), 12:46. 5, Tampa Bay, Wyman 1 (Purcell, Gilroy), 17:38.

Third Period—6, Tampa Bay, Bergeron 4 (Downie, St.Louis), 2:32. 7, Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 13 (Wyman, Moore), 8:37.

Shots on Goal—Montreal 10-11-13—34. Tampa Bay 8-8-6—22.

Goalies—Montreal, Price. Tampa Bay, Garon. A—19,204 (19,204). T—2:25.

ISLANDERS 3, FLAMES 1

Calgary	1	0	0	— 1
N.Y. Islanders	0	1	2	— 3

First Period—1, Calgary, Jackman 1 (Kostopoulos, Morrison), 1:11.

Second Period—2, N.Y. Islanders, MacDonald 3 (Parenteau, Tavares), 3:04.

Third Period—3, N.Y. Islanders, Tavares 12 (Okposo), 3:20. 4, N.Y. Islanders, Rolston 4 (Parenteau, Nielsen), 19:17 (en).

Shots on Goal—Calgary 9-9-12—30. N.Y. Islanders 8-14-12—34.

Goalies—Calgary, Kiprusoff. N.Y. Islanders, Nabokov. A—14,819 (16,234). T—2:29.

FLYERS 4, PENGUINS 2

Philadelphia	1	2	1	— 4
Pittsburgh	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Staal 15 (Kennedy), :44. 2, Philadelphia, Timonen 1 (Giroux, Simmonds), 9:58 (pp).

Second Period—3, Philadelphia, Jagr 12 (Giroux, Carle), 6:03. 4, Philadelphia, Read 12 (Couturier, Voracek), 16:11.

Third Period—5, Pittsburgh, Kennedy 5 (Malkin, Despres), 13:31. 6, Philadelphia, Talbot 10 (Voracek, Couturier), 19:35 (en).

Shots on Goal—Philadelphia 9-6-8—23. Pittsburgh 11-8-7—26.

Goalies—Philadelphia, Bobrovsky. Pittsburgh, Fleury. A—18,602 (18,387). T—2:19.

JETS 1, KINGS 0, OT

Los Angeles	0	0	0	0	— 0
Winnipeg	0	0	0	1	— 1

First Period—None.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—None.

Overtime—1, Winnipeg, Kane 16 (Hainsey, Wheeler), 1:08.

Shots on Goal—Los Angeles 13-12-6-0—31. Winnipeg 9-8-8-2—27.

Goalies—Los Angeles, Bernier. Winnipeg, Mason. A—15,004 (15,015). T—2:27.

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Houston at San Antonio, 7 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

BOXING

Super middleweights, Andre Dirrell (19-1-0) vs. Darryl Cunningham (24-2-0); light heavyweights, Luis Garcia (11-0-0) vs. Alexander Johnson (12-0-0); middleweights, Jermain Taylor (28-4-1) vs. Jessie Nicklow (22-2-3), 10 p.m., Showtime

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Armed Forces Bowl, BYU vs. Tulsa, 11 a.m., ESPN

Pinstripe Bowl, Rutgers vs. Iowa St., 2:20 p.m., ESPN

Music City Bowl, Mississippi St. vs. Wake Forest, 5:40 p.m., ESPN

Insight Bowl, Iowa vs. Oklahoma, 9 p.m., ESPN

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

W. Michigan at Duke, 6 p.m., ESPN2

West Virginia at Seton Hall, 8 p.m., ESPN2

NBA

Toronto at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Chicago at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m., WGN

What's on Radio

NAHL

Texas at Odessa, 6:55 p.m., KFZX, 102.1 FM, Odessa

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Texas at Jackalopes, 7:05 p.m., Ector County Coliseum

BYRON JOHNSTON HOLIDAY CLASSIC

Games begin at 8:30 a.m. at Chaparral Center and Midland High gymnasium

BOYS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Greenwood, Midland Christian at Caprock Tournament, Lubbock

Coahoma at Mary Tatum Classic, Big Lake

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Big Spring, Greenwood at Caprock Tournament, Lubbock

Coahoma at Anson Tournament

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with LHP John Danks on a five-year contract.

Frontier League

JOLIET SLAMMERS—Exercised 2012 contract options on OF Brandon Peters, 1B Erik Lis, 2B Hector Pellot, RHP Tommy Mendoza, INF Kyle Maunus, OF Josh Flores, OF Kris Kasarjian, RHP Andrew Moss, RHP Chris Pack, RHP Jeremy Tietze, LHP Kevin Crimmel, LHP Brian Fowler, C Ben Hewitt, OF David Fox, C Brent Walters and OF Bobby Leeper.

TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS—Exercised 2012 contract options on RHP Matt Miller, RHP Don Pugliese, LHP Rick Raraigh, RHP Scott Reid, C Chris Key, INF Chase Burch, INF Sean Gusrang, INF Stephen Shults, INF Jose Vargas, OF Matt Brown, OF Greg Burns and OF J.T. Hall.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Assigned G Darington Hobson to Fort Wayne (NBADL).

PHOENIX SUNS—Signed G Michael Redd to a one-year contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Fined New Orleans RB Pierre Thomas $12,500 for a uniform violation and a touchdown celebration.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Claimed OT Will Robinson off waivers from New Orleans. Released CB Robert McClain.

NEW YORK JETS—Signed LB Ricky Sapp from the practice squad. Signed WR Eron Riley to the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Recalled F Jimmy Hayes from Rockford (AHL). Assigned F Brandon Pirri to Rockford.

DETROIT RED WINGS—Recalled F Gustav Nyquist from Grand Rapids (AHL). Placed F Tomas Holmstrom on injured reserve.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Assigned D Alexander Urbom to Albany (AHL).

NEW YORK RANGERS—Returned D Tim Erixon to Connecticut (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS—Signed F Stefan Noesen and F Matt Puempel to three-year entry-level contracts.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalled D Evan Oberg from Norfolk (AHL). Signed F Pierre-Cedric Labrie to a two-year contract and assigned him to Norfolk.

WINNIPEG JETS—Recalled F Patrice Cormier from St. John's (AHL).

ECHL

ECHL—Suspended Elmira F Kevin Harvey three games and Reading F Olivier Labelle two games and fined them undisclosed amounts for their actions during Wednesday's game.

KALAMAZOO WINGS—Signed D John Kivisto.

Central Hockey League

ARIZONA SUNDOGS—Placed F Jeff Martens on waivers.

RAPID CITY RUSH—Placed D Wade Poplawski on waivers.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

MLS—Signed F Sam Garza, F Chandler Hoffman, F Darren Mattocks, MF Kelyn Rowe, F Andrew Wenger, MF Tony Cascio, MF-F Nick DeLeon, MF Luis Silva and F Casey Townsend.

SEATTLE SOUNDERS—Signed D Adam Johansson to a multiyear contract.

TORONTO FC—Traded M Nathan Sturgis to Houston for a 2014 conditional draft pick.

Women's Professional Soccer

SKY BLUE FC—Signed D/F Nikki Marshall.

COLLEGE

COLUMBIA—Named Ben McDaniels offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach and Kevin Lempa defensive coordinator.

TEXAS TECH—Announced defensive coordinator Chad Glasgow will not return next season.

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

NCAA Football

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
		Today		
		Armed Forces Bowl		
		At Dallas		
Tulsa	Pk	1	56	BYU
		Pinstripe Bowl		
		At New York		
Rutgers	2	1	(44 1/2)	Iowa St.
		Music City Bowl		
		At Nashville, Tenn.		
Mississippi St.	6 1/2	6 1/2	(48)	Wake Forest
		Insight Bowl		
		At Tempe, Ariz.		
Oklahoma	15 1/2	13 1/2	(58)	Iowa
		Saturday		
		Meineke Car Care Bowl		
		At Houston		
Texas A&M	10	10	(68)	Northwestern
		Sun Bowl		
		At El Paso		
Georgia Tech	3	2 1/2	(50 1/2)	Utah
		Fight Hunger Bowl		
		At San Francisco		
Illinois	3	3	(47)	UCLA
		Liberty Bowl		
		At Memphis, Tenn.		
Vanderbilt	1 1/2	2	(48 1/2)	Cincinnati
		Chick-fil-A Bowl		
		At Atlanta		
Auburn	1	3	(49)	Virginia
		Monday		
		TicketCity Bowl		
		At Dallas		
Houston	7	7	(56 1/2)	Penn St.
		Outback Bowl		
		At Tampa, Fla.		
Georgia	3	3 1/2	(50 1/2)	Michigan St.
		Capital One Bowl		
		At Orlando, Fla.		
South Carolina	1	2 1/2	(46 1/2)	Nebraska
		Gator Bowl		
		At Jacksonville, Fla.		
Florida	1	2	(44)	Ohio St.
		Rose Bowl		
		At Pasadena, Calif.		
Oregon	4 1/2	5 1/2	(71 1/2)	Wisconsin
		Fiesta Bowl		
		At Glendale, Ariz.		
Oklahoma St.	3	3 1/2	(74)	Stanford
		Tuesday		
		Sugar Bowl		
At New Orleans Michigan	1	2 1/2	(51)	Virginia Tech
		Wednesday		
		Orange Bowl		
At Miami Clemson	Pk	3	(60 1/2)	West Virginia
		Jan. 6		
		Cotton Bowl		
		At Arlington		
Arkansas	7 1/2	7 1/2	(62 1/2)	Kansas St.
		Jan. 7		
		BBVA Compass Bowl		
		At Birmingham, Ala.		
Pittsburgh	5 1/2	3 1/2	(47)	SMU
		Jan. 8		
		GoDaddy.com Bowl		
		At Mobile, Ala.		
Arkansas St.	1	1 1/2	(63)	N. Illinois
		Jan. 9		
		BCS National Championship		
		At New Orleans		
Alabama	+1	1	(40)	LSU

NFL

Sunday

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Philadelphia	9	8 1/2	(46)	Washington
at Atlanta	10 1/2	12	(46)	Tampa Bay
San Francisco	10 1/2	10 1/2	(35 1/2)	at St. Louis
at Minnesota	+1	1	(41)	Chicago
Detroit	+3	3 1/2	(45 1/2)	at Green Bay
at N.Y. Giants	3	3	(46)	Dallas
at New Orleans	9	8	(54 1/2)	Carolina
Tennessee	1 1/2	3	(40 1/2)	at Houston
Baltimore	3	2	(38)	at Cincinnati
at Cleveland	OFF	OFF	(OFF)	Pittsburgh
at Jacksonville	5	3 1/2	(37)	Indianapolis
at Miami	2	2 1/2	(41)	N.Y. Jets
at New England	13	11	(51)	Buffalo
at Oakland	3	3	(49)	San Diego
at Denver	3	3 1/2	(37)	Kansas City
at Arizona	3	3	(41)	Seattle

SKI REPORT

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Wed 6:58 am packed powder machine groomed 35-35 base 67 of 75 trails 85% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Pajarito — Wed 5:32 am packed powder machine groomed 58-58 base 33 of 41 trails, 75% open, 4 of 7 lifts, Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Dec 26-29: Open; Open Fri-Sun;

Red River — Thu 8:22 am packed powder machine groomed 40-45 base 57 of 57 trails 99% open, 6 of 7 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Sandia Peak — Wed 5:34 am packed powder machine groomed 61-61 base 35 of 35 trails 100% open, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Sipapu — Wed 10:23 pm packed powder machine groomed 21-29 base 31 of 41 trails, 76% open 5 of 5 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 8a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4p;

Ski Apache — Thu 8:01 am powder machine groomed 60-63 base 54 of 55 trails 99% open, 27 miles, 749 acres, 10 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Ski Santa Fe — Wed 5:35 am packed powder machine groomed 42-42 base 75 of 77 trails 98% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Taos — Thu 6:02 am packed powder machine groomed 42-50 base 82 of 110 trails, 90% open 13 of 13 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Colorado

Aspen Mountain — Thu 4:02 am packed powder machine groomed 16-19 base 63 of 76 trails 81% open, 547 acres, 6 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p;

Breckenridge — Thu 7:42 am packed powder machine groomed 27-27 base 59 of 155 trails 43% open, 1007 acres, 15 of 31 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

AREAHSBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

GIRLS

IRAAN TOURNAMENT
MCA WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

IRAAN — Kayle Beattie scored 14 points and Karis Johnson added 10 as Midland Classical Academy beat Kermit 39-28 to win the Iraan tournament title on Thursday.

The Lady Knights (12-5) opened up a 23-8 lead in the first half and then held off a furious rally by Kermit to clinch the victory.

The victory was Midland Classical's first tournament title of the season as the Lady Knights have played in three tournament championship games so far this season.

Midland Classical won its semifinal game 57-39 against Nueces Canyon as Johnson recorded a double-double of 15 points and 17 rebounds. Johnson was named the tournament's most valuable player as Beattie and Hinton made the all-tournament team.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 57, NUECES CANYON 39

Nueces Canyon — Kyra Siluentes 10, Abby Falcon 18, Nikki Nillom 5, Sharina Alston 6

Midland Classical (11-5) — Laura Ann White 1, Karis Johnson 15, Hannah Bailey 8, Kayla Beattie 16, Rachel Long 4, Amy Hinton 13

Nueces Canyon........2 7 15 15 —39
MCA................12 18 15 12 —57

Free throws — NC 9-15, MCA 9-18. 3-point goals — NC 4 (Silfuentes 2, Alston 2), MCA 2 (Beattie). Total fouls — NC 16, MCA 13. Fouled out — none.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 39, KERMIT 28

Kermit — Cook 1, Nutt 6, Bedell 12, Ingle 9

Midland Classical (12-5) — Laura Ann White 1, Karis Johnson 10, Hannah Bailey 4, Kayla Beattie 14, Rachel Long 2, Amy Hinton 8

Kermit...............2 6 6 14 —28
MCA................15 8 12 4 —39

Free throws — Kermit 9-24, MCA 1-4. 3-point goals — Kermit 1 (Nutt), MCA 4 (Beattie 4). Total fouls — Kermit 11, MCA 20. Fouled out — none.

Next: Midland Classical at Andrews, 6 p.m. Tuesday

CAPROCK TOURNAMENT
GREENWOOD SPLITS TWO

After being routed by Lubbock Coronado, 73-25, to start Thursday at the Caprock Tournament, Greenwood rallied to knock off El Paso Parkland 46-32.

The Rangerettes were led by Alyssa Anthony's six points against Coronado, while freshman Amanda Bell led the way against Parkland with 10 points.

The Rangerettes play their final game of the Caprock Tournament at 10:30 a.m. today against Coppell at Lubbock Monterey High School.

LUBBOCK CORONADO 73, GREENWOOD 25

Lubbock Coronado — Ashlee Villarreal 2, Katie Bauersfeld 8, Bailey Wipff 8, Brittany Thompson 9, Lauren Dudding 10, Abigail Hopper 4, Gabby Gonzales 7, Lizzy Dimba 4, Suzzy Dimba 18, Elle Hendershot 4

Greenwood — Alyssa Anthony 6, Kali Zimmerman 2, Peyton Pyle 5, Amanda Bell 2, Morgan McKee 4, Becca Campbell 5

Lubbock Coronado... 17 23 16 16 —73
Greenwood...........8 5 7 5 —25

Free throws — LC 13-15, Greenwood 3-4. 3-point goals — LC 4 (Bauersfeld 2, Gonzales, Dumba). Greenwood 4 (Anthony 2, Pyle, Campbell). Total fouls — LC 10, Greenwood 13. Fouled out — none.

GREENWOOD 46, EL PASO PARKLAND 32

Parkland — Yazmeene Zamudio 16, Ashley Pena 6, Taryn Wright 4, Margie Benton 4, Gabriela Lopez 4, Kayla Wimbush 2, Racquel Castillo 1

Greenwood — Amanda Bell 10, Peyton Pyle 7, Morgan McKee 6, Emily Dye 4, Savannah Cain 4, Kali Zimmerman 4, Ashley Sullivan 3, Ashton Hannaz 3, Alyssa Anthony 3

Parkland.............8 11 9 9 —37
Greenwood............8 12 16 10 —46

Free throws — EPP 8-14, GW 9-16. 3-point goals — EPP 3 (Pena 2, Zamudio), GW 3 (Hannaz, Anthony, Pyle). Total fouls — EPP 13, GW 14. Fouled out — None.

Next: Greenwood vs. Coppell, 10:30 a.m. today, Lubbock Monterey HS

SUNDOWN 60, BIG SPRING 52

Big Spring's trip to the Caprock Tournament came to an end Thursday when the No. 19 Lady Steers were upset by Class A Sundown, 60-52.

The Lady Steers got a strong effort out of senior post Cerbi Ritchey, who scored a game-high 21 points.

Big Spring plays at Abilene High at 6 p.m. Tuesday before starting district play against Abilene Wylie next Friday.

SUNDOWN 60, BIG SPRING 52

Sundown — Authumn Edwards 8, Raylee Wilkes 1, Anitria Flowers 14, Emily Marek 8, Lauren Marek 8, Brielle McGruder 20

Big Spring — Cerbi Ritchey 21, Dyshae Vanderbilt 8, LaShaunte Anderson 6, Bridgette Tutt 6, Mackenzie Stone 5, Diamond Mayes 5, Ambra Hill 1

Sundown...........19 12 18 11 —60
Big Spring..........12 18 14 8 —52

Free throws — Sundown 8-15, BS 11-16. 3-point goals — Sundown 6 (L. Marek 2, E. Marek, Flowers 2, Edwards), BS 1 (Stone). Total fouls — Sundown 13, BS 15. Fouled out — None.

Next: Big Spring at Abilene High, 6 p.m. Tuesday

2011 Grady Black & Gold Cotton Classic
All games at Grady High School
Wednesday, Dec. 28
First round

Plains 58, Highland 37
Garden City 44, Wink 33
Grady 55, Ira 17
Loraine 72, Trinity 65

Championship Bracket
Semifinals

Plains 55, Garden City 39
Grady 53, Loraine 38

Thursday, Dec. 29
Consolation bracket
Semifinals

Wink 22, Highland 16
Trinity 57, Ira 22

Guarantee Game

Highland 51, Ira 18

Consolation Final

Wink 28, Trinity 24

Championship Bracket
Third-place game

Garden City 49, Loraine 28

Championship Game

Plains 40, Grady 30

All-tournament team: Ariel Bailey, Loraine; London Edwards, Trinity; Awbrie Medina, Wink; Cassie Hirt, Garden City; Hannah Halfmann, Garden City; Sarah Clay, Grady; Charmaney Arnold, Grady; M.J. Price, Grady; Haley Welch, Plains; MVP: Adriana Corrales, Plains

2011 Mary Tatum Holiday Classic
All games at Reagan County High School
Wednesday, Dec. 28
First round

Game 1: Water Valley 52, Ozona 42
Game 2: Ballinger 71, Monahans 35
Game 3: Sonora 52, Pecos 38
Game 4: Reagan County 42, Grape Creek 35

Thursday, Dec. 29
Championship bracket
Semifinals

Game 7: Sonora 65, Water Valley 45
Game 8: Ballinger 52, Reagan County 35

Consolation bracket
Semifinals

Game 5: Grape Creek 49, Monahans 34
Game 6: Pecos 58, Ozona 49

Friday, Dec. 30
Guarantee Game

Game 9: Ozona vs. Monahans, 9:30 a.m.

Consolation Final

Game 10: Pecos vs. Grape Creek, 12:30 p.m.

Third-place Game

Game 11: Water Valley vs. Reagan County, 3:30 p.m.

Championship Game

Game 12: Sonora vs. Ballinger, 6:30 p.m.

BOYS

CAPROCK TOURNAMENT
GREENWOOD 86, BROWNFIELD 76

WOLFFORTH — Three different Rangers scored in double figures as they outlasted Brownfield 86-76 to advance to a semifinal in the red bracket at the Caprock Tournament on Thursday.

The Rangers were up 51-44 entering the final period, but the Cubs outscored the Rangers 32-25 in the final period as Greenwood held on for the victory.

Jacob Armitage led Greenwood in the game with 18 points as Dustin Mayers added 14 points and Kam Williams 11. Armitage also had nine rebounds and Williams added five in the victory.

Along with the 14 points, Mayers had five assists.

Greenwood will take on Dimmitt in a semifinal at 9 a.m. today at Lubbock Cooper High School.

GREENWOOD 86, BROWNFIELD 76

Brownfield — Korey Nolan 9, Ryan Caballero 16, Sha'Colby Hill 31, Cade Powell 6, Reese Rowden 2, Stephon Smith 6, Shaun Paiva 5

Greenwood (12-6) — Jody Lively 7, Edgar Urias 5, Grant Franklin 8, Hugo Arenas 8, Taylor Hollingsworth 3, Kyle Hansard 7, Dustin Mayers 13, Timmy Murphy 5, Kam Williams 11, Jacob Armitage 18

Brownfield..........12 12 20 32 —76
Greenwood..........20 19 22 25 —86

Free throws — Brownfield 8-18, Greenwood 19-27. 3-point goals — Brownfield 8 (Caballero 4, Hill 2, Powell 2), Greenwood 8 (Franklin 2, Arenas, Hansard, Mayers 2). Total fouls — Brownfield 24, Greenwood 20. Fouled out — Brownfield, Rowden.

Next: Greenwood vs. Dimmit, 9 a.m., today, Caprock Tournament Red Bracket semifinal, Lubbock Cooper High School, Woodrow

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN SPLITS PAIR OF GAMES AT CAPROCK

Midland Christian rebounded from an early 51-49 loss to Lubbock Cooper to defeat Sands — ranked No. 5 in Class A, Division II — 59-52 in a pair of games at the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock.

Devin Stricklin led the Mustangs with 12 points against Cooper and added 16 more against Sands. David Parkhurst erupted for a game-high 25 points against Sands, while Jacob Longbotham added 15.

Midland Christian takes on Abernathy at 10:30 a.m. today at Lubbock Trinity High School.

LUBBOCK COOPER 51, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 49

Lubbock Cooper — Mitchell Gilles 4, Mitchell Densford 9, Dakota Strickland 5, Brenan Ehlers 7, Casey Owens 7, Sterling George 2, Garrett Taylor 17

Midland Christian — Zach Gilbert 5, Devin Stricklin 12, Jacob Longbotham 2, Tim Lewis 2, Matt Counts 3, David Parkhurst 13, Colton Chalker 3, Mason McClendon 9

Lubbock Cooper.....10 6 16 19 —51
MCS................9 27 11 2 —49

Free throws — Cooper 5-6, MCS 10-19. 3-point goals — Cooper 4 (Densford, Strickland, Ehlers, Owens), MCS 3 (Counts, Parkhurst, McClendon). Total fouls — Cooper 16, MCS 11. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — Cooper, Strickland, Ehlers.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 59, SANDS 52

Sands — Caleb Thomasson 17, Junior Rogers 11, Jerad Staggs 8, Bert Ybarra 6, Hayden Ware 5, Sean Blagrave 5

MCS — David Parkhurst 25, Devin Stricklin 16, Jacob Longbotham 15, Zach Gilbert 3, Mason McClendon 2

Sands..............16 8 12 16 —52
MCS................8 15 11 25 —59

Free throws — Sands 10-19, MCS 20-31. 3-point goals — Sands 4 (Rogers 3, Ybarra), MCS 3 (Parkhurst 2, Stricklin). Total fouls — Sands 18, MCS 19. Fouled out — None.

Next: Midland Christian vs. Abernathy, 10:30 a.m. today, Lubbock Trinity HS

MONAHANS 35, LAMESA 34

Lamesa — Aeryk Cox 10

Monahans — Cooper 16

Lamesa 5..........11 9 9 —34
Monahans...........4 10 8 13 —35

LAMESA 66, VERNON 47

Lamesa — Cox 16, Garza 15

Vernon — Thomas 9, Perez 9

Lamesa.............20 20 16 10 —66
Vernon..............7 11 16 13 —47

Next: Lamesa vs. Floydada-Olton winner, 9:30 a.m., Caprock Tournament, Lubbock

IRAAN TOURNAMENT
MIDLAND CLASSICAL 45, STANTON 43

IRAAN — Midland Classical Academy used some defense in the second quarter to take the lead from Stanton and take a 45-43 victory in the fifth-place game at the Iraan tournament on Thursday.

The Knights (10-7) were down 34-31 entering the fourth quarter, and then outscored the Buffaloes 14-9 in the final period to clinch the victory.

Rett Taylor led Midland Classical with 11 points as Ben Snell scored eight and was named to the all-tournament team.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL ACADEMY 45, STANTON 43

Midland Classical (10-7) — Grey Sparks 2, Rett Taylor 11, Kade Wilkens 2, Harrison Haast 7, Ben Snell 8, John Stallings 9, Haydon Rogers 6

Stanton — Vanderslice 3, Chavez 10, Mauldin 4, Koonce 3, Evans 11, Smith 9, Glaspie 3

MCA................14 11 6 14 —45
Stanton.............18 3 13 9 —43

Free throws — MCA 3-8, Stanton 4-7. 3-point goals — MCA 7 (Taylor 3, Snell, Stalling 2, Rogers). Stanton 4 (Chavez 2, Koonce, Glaspie). Total fouls — MCA 11, Stanton 9. Fouled out — none.

Next: Midland Classical at Andrews, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday

MARY TATUM HOLIDAY CLASSIC
COAHOMA 38, PECOS 29

BIG LAKE — Coahoma advanced to the final of the Mary Tatum Holiday Classic with a 38-29 victory against Pecos in a semifinal on Thursday.

The Buffaloes overcame a two-point third period to score 15 in the final period to clinch the victory. Sheigh Cravens led the Bulldogs with 16 points.

COAHOMA 38, PECOS 29

Coahoma (9-7) — Aaron Acevedo 1, Tanner Ruiz 8, Sheigh Cravens 16, Ryan Reid 2, Alex Hill 6, Pete Echavarria 5

Pecos — Jones 8, Gomez 8, Guinto 5, Tarin 4, Conacenas 7

Coahoma............6 15 2 15 —38
Pecos...............8 5 8 8 —29

Free throws — Coahoma 8-20, Pecos 3-11. 3-point goals — Coahoma 4 (Ruiz, Cravens 3), Pecos 2 (Gomez, Guinto). Total fouls — Coahoma 17, Pecos 17. Fouled out — Pecos, Gainto.

Next: Coahoma vs. Water Valley, 8 p.m. today, Mary Tatum Holiday Classic, Big Lake

STERLING CITY TOURNAMENT
FORSAN 59, ODESSA NEW WAY CHRISTIAN 55

STERLING CITY— Bryson Phillips' 14 points and Dillon Bagnall's double-double helped the Buffaloes take third place in the Sterling City tournament on Thursday.

The Buffaloes (10-6) used a big second quarter to take a 36-25 lead into halftime and then held on in the second half.

Bagnall, who was named to the all-tournament team, scored 11 points and had 12 rebounds. Kade Fannon scored six points and had 13 rebounds.

FORSAN 59, ODESSA NEW WAY CHRISTIAN 55

Forsan (10-6) — Trevor Burchett 2, Tyler Evans 5, Patrick Robles 2, Matthew Mims 10, Dillon Bagnall 11, Aric Hernandez 4, Brendan Roman 1, Kade Fannin 6, Bryson Phillips 14

Odessa New Way — Powell 2, Hudson 22, Smith 8, Walker 5, Haynes 2, Gregg 2, Penmar 14

Forsan.............14 22 14 9 59
New Way...........12 13 14 16 —55

Next: Forsan vs. Post, 8 p.m. Tuesday

2011 Grady Black & Gold Cotton Classic
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Wednesday, Dec. 28
First round

Grady 68, Highland 21
Trinity 92, Plains 62
Klondike 57, Wink 45
Ira 61, McCamey 58, OT
Garden City 65, Loraine 22
Frenship JV 57, Seminole JV 38

Consolation bracket
Quarterfinals

Plains 55, Highland 25
Wink 54, McCamey 51

Championship bracket
Quarterfinals

Trinity 53, Grady 39
Ira 61, Klondike 55

Thursday, Dec. 29

Consolation bracket
Quarterfinals

Seminole JV 58, Loraine 34

Semifinal

Wink 47, Plains 45

Guaranatee Games

Highland 40, McCamey 32
Grady 67, Plains 42

Consolation Final

Seminole JV 63, Wink 48

Championship bracket
Quarterfinals

Frenship JV 70, Garden City 29
Trinity 62, Ira 57

Guarantee Game

Klondike 59, Loraine 57

Third-place Game

Ira 52, Garden City 47, OT

Championship Game

Frenship JV 70, Trinity 35

All-tournament team: Corbin Davis, Garden City; Jared Cotton, Ira; Mitchell Gregory, Klondike; Dominque Williams, Wink; Xavier Rodriguez, Seminole JV; Branson Richards, Grady; Zake Clay, Grady; Thomas Schorr, Trinity; Harley Davis, Trinity; Marcus Shuster, Frenship JV; Brock Ables, Frenship JV; MVP: Thomas Martinez, Frenship JV

81st Reagan County Mary Tatum Holiday Classic
All games at Reagan County High School
Wednesday, Dec. 28
First round

Fort Stockton 67, Grape Creek 53
Water Valley 72, Ballinger 53
Coahoma 52, Ozoan 41
Pecos 36, Reagan County 29

Thursday, Dec. 29
Championship bracket
Semifinals

Water Valley 51, Fort Stockton 42
Coahoma 38, Pecos 29

Consolaton bracket
Semifinals

Ballinger 50, Grape Creek 47
Ozona 52, Reagan County 51

Friday, Dec. 30
Guarantee game

Grape Creek vs. Reagan County, 11 a.m.

Consolation Final

Ballinger vs. Ozona, 2 p.m.

Third-place game

Fort Stockton vs. Pecos, 5 p.m.

Championship Game

Water Valley vs. Coahoma, 8 p.m.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

ROCKETS 105, SPURS 85

HOUSTON — Kevin Martin scored 25 points, Luis Scola added 18 and Kyle Lowry had 16 points, nine rebounds and eight assists for Houston.

The Rockets took advantage of the Spurs' poor shooting at the start to build a big lead. First-year Houston coach Kevin McHale was able to rest his starters in the fourth quarter, with his team playing the first of three games on consecutive nights.

DeJuan Blair scored 22 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for San Antonio, which shot 38 percent (35 of 93) and went 2 for 17 from 3-point range. Tim Duncan went 1for 8 from the field and scored four points and Richard Jefferson went 2 for 10 and with five points.

THUNDER 104, MAVERICKS 102

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant scored 30 points and hit a 3-pointer at the final buzzer to lift the Oklahoma City Thunder to a 104-102 victory over the Dallas Mavericks on Thursday night in a rematch of last season's Western Conference finals.

The Thunder let Dallas wipe away a five-point deficit in the final 46 seconds to go ahead on Vince Carter's 3-pointer with 1.4 seconds remaining. That was just enough time for Oklahoma City to get the ball to Durant, who drilled a 3 from the right wing that improved his team to 4-0.

Dirk Nowitzki had 29 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Mavericks, whose title defense is off to an 0-3 start.

Russell Westbrook had 16 points and seven turnovers in another subpar performance, but he made up for it with a few critical plays down the stretch.

MAGIC 94, NETS 78

ORLANDO, Fla. — Ryan Anderson scored 22 points, Dwight Howard had 16 points and 24 rebounds and Orlando had little trouble handling New Jersey.

Jason Richardson added 16 points for the Magic — including 15 in the first half — and J.J. Redick scored 15 points off the bench.

It was the 49th career 20-rebound game for Howard, who neared his career high of 26 rebounds.

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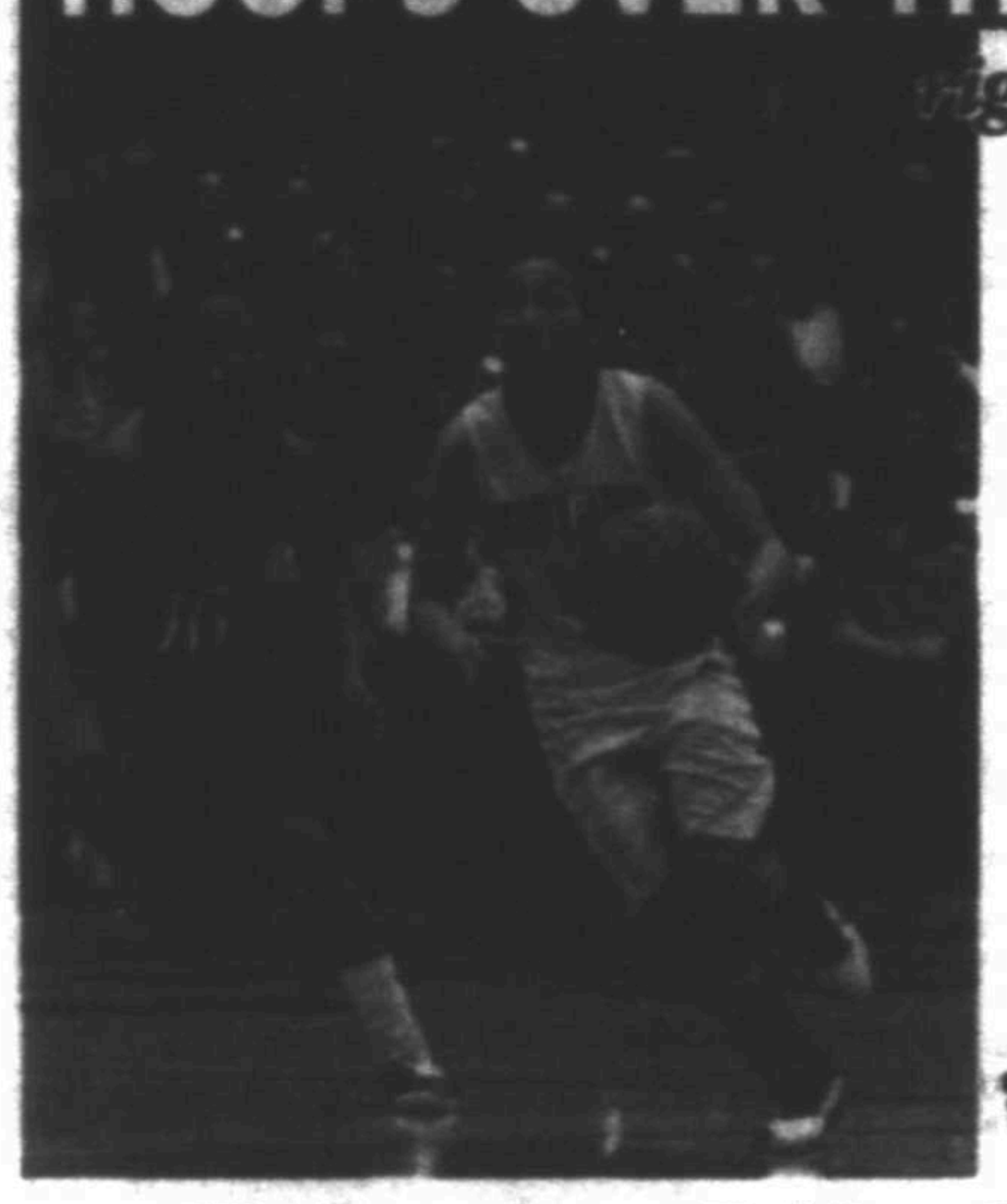

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FIRST GAMES - WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28TH
Midland Lee Girls vs. Plainview:
Wed., December 28 9:30 a.m.
Midland High Girls vs. Seminole:
Wed., December 28 6:30 p.m.
Midland Lee Boys vs. Italy
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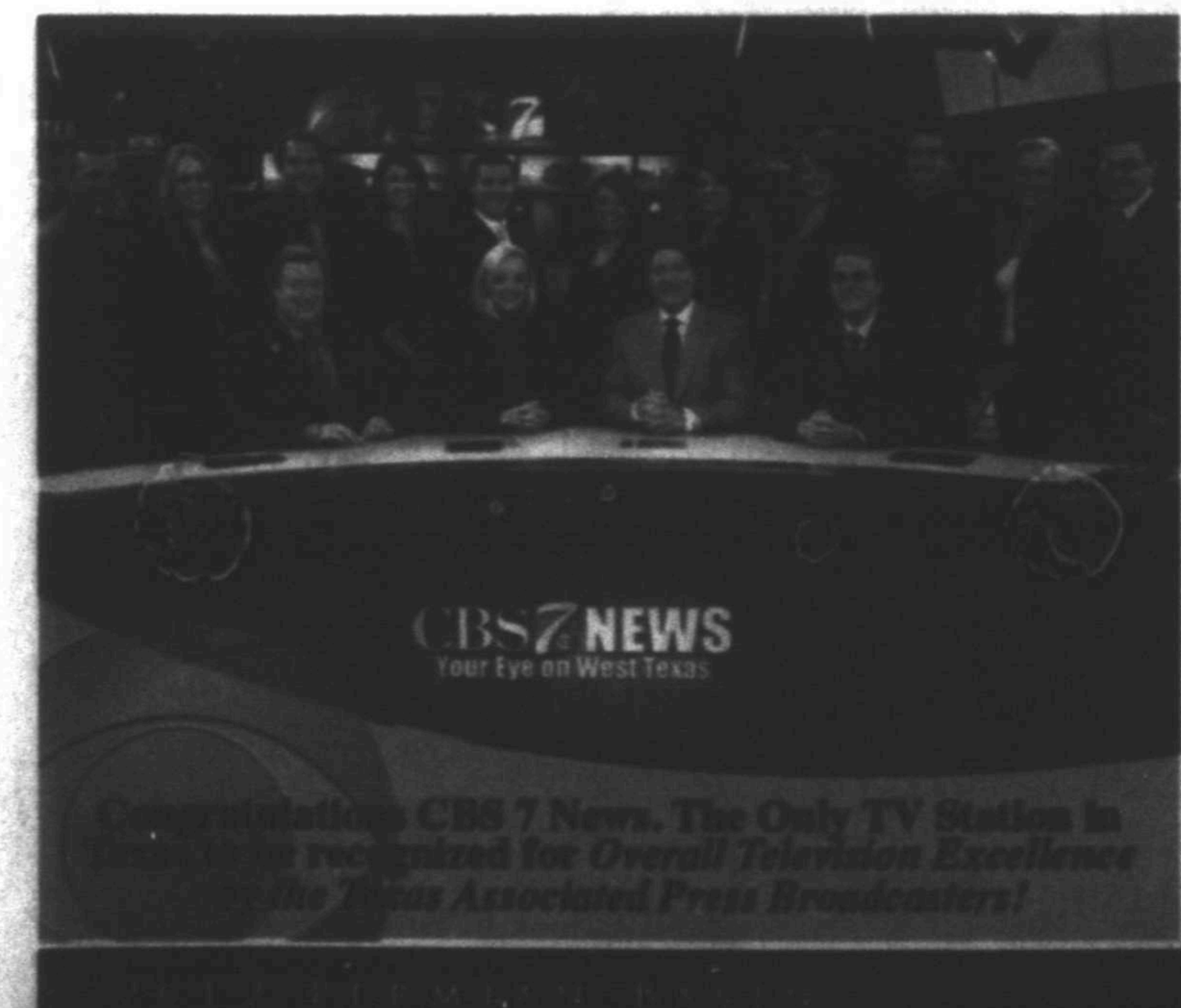
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Florida State rallies past Notre Dame

Associated Press

Seminoles	18
Fighting Irish	14

ORLANDO, Fla. — Florida State rallied from a 14-point second-half deficit and used a pair of touchdown passes by E.J. Manuel and two field goals from Dustin Hopkins to slip past Notre Dame 18-14 in the Champs Sports Bowl on Thursday night.

The victory was FSU's fourth straight bowl win. FSU receiver Rashad Greene, who caught one of Manuel's touchdown passes, was named the game's MVP.

The No. 25 Seminoles started four freshman on their offensive line and gave up five sacks, but FSU's defense picked off Notre Dame quarterbacks Tommy Rees and Andrew Hendrix three times and also piled up four sacks of its own.

Notre Dame shuffled between Rees and Hendrix throughout the game, but both struggled to get the Irish points inside the red zone.

After some stagnant offense on both sides in the first half, FSU trailed 14-0 early in the third quarter before finding some momentum through the air.

The Seminoles closed the gap to 14-9 with an 18-yard touchdown pass from Manuel to Bert Reed to open the fourth quarter, but failed on their 2-point conversion attempt.

They took the lead just 1:32 later after Nigel Bradham intercepted a Hendrix pass inside the Notre Dame 20 to set up an 18-yard touchdown catch by Greene to make it 15-14 with just over 13 minutes to play following another failed 2-point try.

The Seminoles added their second field goal of the game a series later.

Notre Dame punted on its next touch, but pinned FSU inside its own 5 and forced a quick three-and-out.

A poor punt by the Seminoles and a face mask penalty on the return gave the Irish the ball on the FSU 28 with 3:56 to play, but Rees was picked off in the end zone with 2:48 left and FSU was able to all but run out the remaining clock.

TODAY'S BOWL GAMES

PINSTRIPE BOWL
IOWA STATE (6-6) VS. RUTGERS (8-4)

2:20 p.m. today, ESPN

Line: Rutgers by 2.

Series record: First meeting.

WHAT'S AT STAKE

The Cyclones try to finish with a winning record, and the fourth bowl victory in program history. The first three have all come since 2000. Coach Paul Rhoads just signed a new 10-year contract extension and another victory would keep the mood positive heading into the offseason. Rutgers is trying to reach nine victories for the third time since coach Greg Schiano took over in 2001 and win its fifth straight bowl. The Scarlet Knights had made five straight postseason appearances before going 4-8 last year.

KEY MATCHUP

Rutgers defensive front seven vs. Iowa State's offensive line. Scarlet Knights are quick and relatively light up front. Tackles Justin Francis and Scott Vallone are their biggest linemen at 275 pounds each. But Rutgers likes to blitz and ranked 17th in the nation in sacks (2.67 per game) and 16th in tackles for loss (7.25 per game). Anchored by All-Big 12 LT Kelechi Osemele, who checks in at 6-foot-6 and 347 pounds, the Cyclones' line is one of the biggest Rutgers has faced this season.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Iowa State: QB Jared Barnett. The redshirt freshman took over as the starter midway through the season. He ran for 435 yards and passed for 1,178, and led the Cyclones on a three-game winning streak that included a 37-31 double-overtime upset of Oklahoma State. LB A.J. Klein was co-defensive player of the year in the Big 12.

Rutgers: QBs Chas Dodd and Gary Nova. The job has been shuffled between the junior Dodds and the freshman Nova all season and the starter for the Pinstripe Bowl will be a game-time decision. Despite inconsistent play from the quarterbacks, WR Mohamed Sanu set a Big East record with 109 catches.

FACTS & FIGURES

Rutgers KR Jeremy Deering averages 31.2 yards per kickoff return, second-best in Big East history ... Rhoads and Schiano are both former defensive coordinators, and they have matched wits before. Rhoads was defensive coordinators for eight seasons at Pittsburgh before returning to his home state to take over the Cyclones in 2009. ... Iowa State ranks 117th in the nation in turnovers committed with 32. Rutgers ranks sixth in the country in takeaways with 31.

INSIGHT BOWL
OKLAHOMA (9-3) VS. IOWA (7-5)

9 p.m. today, ESPN

Line: Oklahoma by 14.

Series record: Oklahoma 1-0.

WHAT'S AT STAKE

The Sooners are hoping to end a disappointing season — at least by their standards — on a good note. Ranked No. 1 in the preseason, Oklahoma had its national championship hopes dashed after it lost two of its final three games. Iowa is back at the Insight Bowl, hoping to knock off a Big 12 school for the second straight season. The Hawkeyes beat Missouri 27-24 last year.

KEY MATCHUP

Iowa QB James Vandenberg vs. Oklahoma's pass rush. The Sooners were one of the nation's best pass-rushing teams in the country during the regular season, ranking second in the Big 12 with 37 sacks. Vandenberg won't have leading rusher Marcus Coker to keep Oklahoma honest, so he'll have to make quick, smart decisions to avoid ending up on his back or throwing into coverage under pressure.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Oklahoma: QB Landry Jones. The Insight Bowl could be the last game for Jones, who could leave after his junior season for the NFL. Oklahoma's all-time leader in passing yards and touchdowns had a superb 2011 season, throwing for 4,302 yards and 28 TDs with 14 interceptions.

Iowa: WR Marvin McNutt Jr. The Hawkeyes will be without Coker, who was suspended for the Insight Bowl for violating the university's student-athlete code of conduct. No one else had more than 18 carries, so the load likely will shift even more to McNutt, who caught 78 passes for 1,269 yards and 12 touchdowns during the regular season.

FACTS & FIGURES

Oklahoma is playing in its 13th straight bowl, coinciding with coach Bob Stoops' tenure in Norman. ... Iowa, in its 10th bowl game since 2001, has a school-record three-game bowl winning streak. ... The Sooners lead the nation with 32 10-win seasons. ... Iowa played seven ranked opponents this season, going 4-3. ... Oklahoma DB Tony Jefferson is expected to wear No. 12 on defense in honor of LB Austin Box, who died in May. The Sooners have taken turns wearing Box's number on defense. ... Three of Oklahoma's coaches played at Iowa: head coach Bob Stoops, co-offensive coordinator Jay Norvell and tight ends/tackles coach Bruce Kittle. Stoops and Kittle were on the team in the only meeting between Oklahoma and Iowa, won 21-6 by the Sooners in 1979. ... Iowa is 14-10-1 in bowl games.

MUSIC CITY BOWL
MISSISSIPPI ST. (6-6) VS. WAKE FOREST (6-6)

5:40 p.m. today, ESPN

Line: Mississippi St. by 6 1/2.

Series Record: First meeting.

WHAT'S AT STAKE

Mississippi State's losses came to teams ranked either when the Bulldogs played them or currently, including four in the final BCS Top 10. This is the Bulldogs' second straight bowl under coach Dan Mullen, and they're trying to win a fifth straight bowl for the program and in consecutive years for only the second time and first since 1999-2000. The Demon Deacons rallied from a 3-9 season in 2010, and previously won two straight bowl games and five of their last six bowls.

KEY MATCHUP

Wake Forest WR Chris Givens on Mississippi State CB Johnthan Banks. Givens set a school record with 1,276 yards receiving and has received a grade of either a second- or third-round pick already from the NFL. Banks isn't sharing what he's hearing from the NFL, but the junior intercepted five passes this season and broke up nine other passes.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Wake Forest: QB Tanner Price. The sophomore is only the second quarterback in school history to throw for more than 2,800 yards, and he threw for 2,803 yards with 20 touchdowns. He has thrown 127 consecutive passes without an interception and has not had a pass picked off since he was intercepted three times Oct. 29 by North Carolina.

Mississippi St.: DL Fletcher Cox. The 6-foot-4, 295-pound junior also has asked for a rating of his NFL draft prospects. He was All-SEC by The Associated Press with four sacks, 12 1/2 tackles for loss and three quarterback hurries this season.

FACTS & FIGURES

Mississippi State is 8-20-1 all-time against the ACC. ... Bulldogs coach Dan Mullen has never coached against Wake Forest. ... The Bulldogs are 3-2 all-time versus the ACC in bowl games, including a 17-7 win over Clemson in the 1999 Peach Bowl. ... Mississippi State ranks 23rd nationally in pass defense. ... The Bulldogs are one of six teams to score a pair of touchdowns off both punt returns and interception returns. ... Wake Forest is 6-3 all-time in bowls with its last win 20-19 over Navy in the 2008 EagleBank Bowl. This the Demon Deacons' second bowl against an SEC team, and they lost 34-10 to LSU in the 1979 Tangerine Bowl. ... Wake Forest comes into the bowl having lost four of its last five. ... Wake Forest coach Jim Grobe is 7-5 all-time vs the SEC. ... The Demon Deacons went 5-3 in the ACC, winning five league games for only the fourth-time in school history.

ARMED FORCES BOWL
BYU (9-3) VS. TULSA (8-4)

11 a.m. today, ESPN

Line: BYU by 1

Series record: BYU leads 6-1

WHAT'S AT STAKE

Likely another high-scoring game between the Cougars and Golden Hurricane. The two teams have combined to average 73 total points in their seven meetings. Tulsa's only win came in the last one, 55-47 at home Sept. 15, 2007. BYU has averaged 44 points over its last five games this season, and the Golden Hurricane averaged 41 points in their seven C-USA victories before losing their regular season finale against Houston.

KEY MATCHUP

Tulsa QB G.J. Kinne vs. BYU defense. Kinne has 78 career TD passes, five short of the Tulsa career record, and 9,258 yards passing. He has 2,876 yards and 25 TDs this season. BYU has allowed only eight passing TDs, third nationally behind only BCS national title game participants LSU and Alabama, and is 11th in pass efficiency defense.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

BYU: WRs Cody Hoffman and Ross Apo. Hoffman, a sophomore, leads the Cougars with 53 catches for 821 yards while freshman Apo, a freshman, has a team-high nine touchdown catches, with two in each of the last two games.

Tulsa: RBs Ja'Terian Douglas and Trey Watts. The sophomore duo combined for 1,727 yards and seven touchdowns. Douglas has 884 yards and Watts 843 yards.

FACTS & FIGURES

The only common opponent for the two teams was UCF, which lost 24-17 to both BYU and Tulsa. ... BYU, wrapping up a season of independence, is looking for its fifth 10-win season under coach Bronco Mendenhall. Oklahoma's Bob Stoops and Georgia's Mark Richt are the only active FBS coaches with five 10-win seasons in their first seven seasons at that level. ... Tulsa has won its last three bowl games. ... The Golden Hurricane had won seven consecutive games and 12 Conference USA games in a row before losing to Houston in their regular season finale Nov. 25. ... Two of BYU's losses this season have been in the state of Texas, at the University of Texas on Sept. 10 and against TCU at Cowboys Stadium on Oct. 28.

BOWL SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 17
New Mexico Bowl
At Albuquerque
Temple 37, Wyoming 15
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
At Boise, Idaho
Ohio 24, Utah State 23
New Orleans Bowl
Louisiana-Lafayette 32, San Diego State 30

Tuesday, Dec. 20
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
Marshall 20, FIU 10

Wednesday, Dec. 21
Poinsettia Bowl
At San Diego
TCU 31, Louisiana Tech 24

Thursday, Dec. 22
MAACO Bowl
At Las Vegas
Boise State 56, Arizona State 24

Saturday, Dec. 24
Hawaii Bowl
At Honolulu
Southern Mississippi 24, Nevada 17

Monday, Dec. 26
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Missouri 41, North Carolina 24

Tuesday, Dec. 27
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl
At Detroit
Purdue 37, Western Michigan 32
Belk Bowl
At Charlotte, N.C.
North Carolina State 31, Louisville 24

Wednesday, Dec. 28
Military Bowl
At Washington
Toledo 42, Air Force 41
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Texas 21, California 10

Thursday, Dec. 29
Champs Sports Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Florida State 18, Notre Dame 14
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Baylor (9-3) vs. Washington (7-5), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Today
Armed Forces Bowl
At Dallas
Tulsa (8-4) vs. BYU (9-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN)
Pinstripe Bowl
At New York
Rutgers (8-4) vs. Iowa State (6-6), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Music City Bowl
At Nashville, Tenn.
Mississippi State (6-6) vs. Wake Forest (6-6), 5:40 p.m. (ESPN)
Insight Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
Oklahoma (9-3) vs. Iowa (7-5), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 31
Meineke Car Care Bowl
At Houston
Texas A&M (6-6) vs. Northwestern (6-6), 11 a.m. (ESPN)
Sun Bowl
At El Paso
Georgia Tech (8-4) vs. Utah (7-5), 1 p.m. (CBS)
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
Vanderbilt (6-6) vs. Cincinnati (9-3), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Fight Hunger Bowl
At San Francisco
UCLA (6-7) vs. Illinois (6-6), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Chick-fil-A Bowl
At Atlanta
Virginia (8-4) vs. Auburn (7-5), 6:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 2
TicketCity Bowl
At Dallas
Penn State (9-3) vs. Houston (12-1), 11 a.m. (ESPNU)
Capital One Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Nebraska (9-3) vs. South Carolina (10-2), Noon (ESPN)
Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Georgia (10-3) vs. Michigan State (10-3), Noon (ABC)
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Florida (6-6) vs. Ohio State (6-6), Noon (ESPN2)
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Oregon (11-2) vs. Wisconsin (11-2), 4 p.m. (ESPN)
Fiesta Bowl
At Glendale, Ariz.
Stanford (11-1) vs. Oklahoma State (11-1), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Jan. 3
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Michigan (10-2) vs. Virginia Tech (11-2), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Jan. 4
Orange Bowl
At Miami
West Virginia (9-3) vs. Clemson (10-3), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Jan. 6
Cotton Bowl
At Arlington
Kansas State (10-2) vs. Arkansas (10-2), 7 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, Jan. 7
BBVA Compass Bowl
At Birmingham, Ala.
Pittsburgh (6-6) vs. SMU (7-5), Noon (ESPN)

Sunday, Jan. 8
GoDaddy.com Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
Arkansas State (10-2) vs. Northern Illinois (10-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 9
BCS National Championship
At New Orleans
LSU (13-0) vs. Alabama (11-1), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 21
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, 3 p.m., (NFLN)

Saturday, Jan. 28
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 3 p.m. (NFLN)

Saturday, Feb. 5
Texas vs. Nation At San Antonio
Texas vs. Nation, 1 p.m. (CBSSN)

Defensive coach leaves Texas Tech after 1st season

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech defensive coordinator Chad Glasgow is leaving after one season with the Red Raiders.

Football spokesman Blayne Beal said Thursday than Glasgow and Texas Tech "have reached a mutual agreement" that he would not remain. He declined further comment.

The Red Raiders finished the season ranked 115th in total defense.

Glasgow came from TCU, where he was the safeties coach for 10 years. He helped lead the Horned Frogs to No. 1 nationally in total defense in each of the last three seasons and five times in the last decade.

His departure is the fourth change on Tommy Tuberville's staff after Tech's first losing season in 19 years.

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season. Faust said the squad has been able to put together good periods, but is still working to put together a full 60 minute game.

"We have games where we have a good first period and a good third period, but have a bad second period," said Faust, who is a Minnesota native that announced he has committed to play at Army next year. "We've just got to put together three solid periods."

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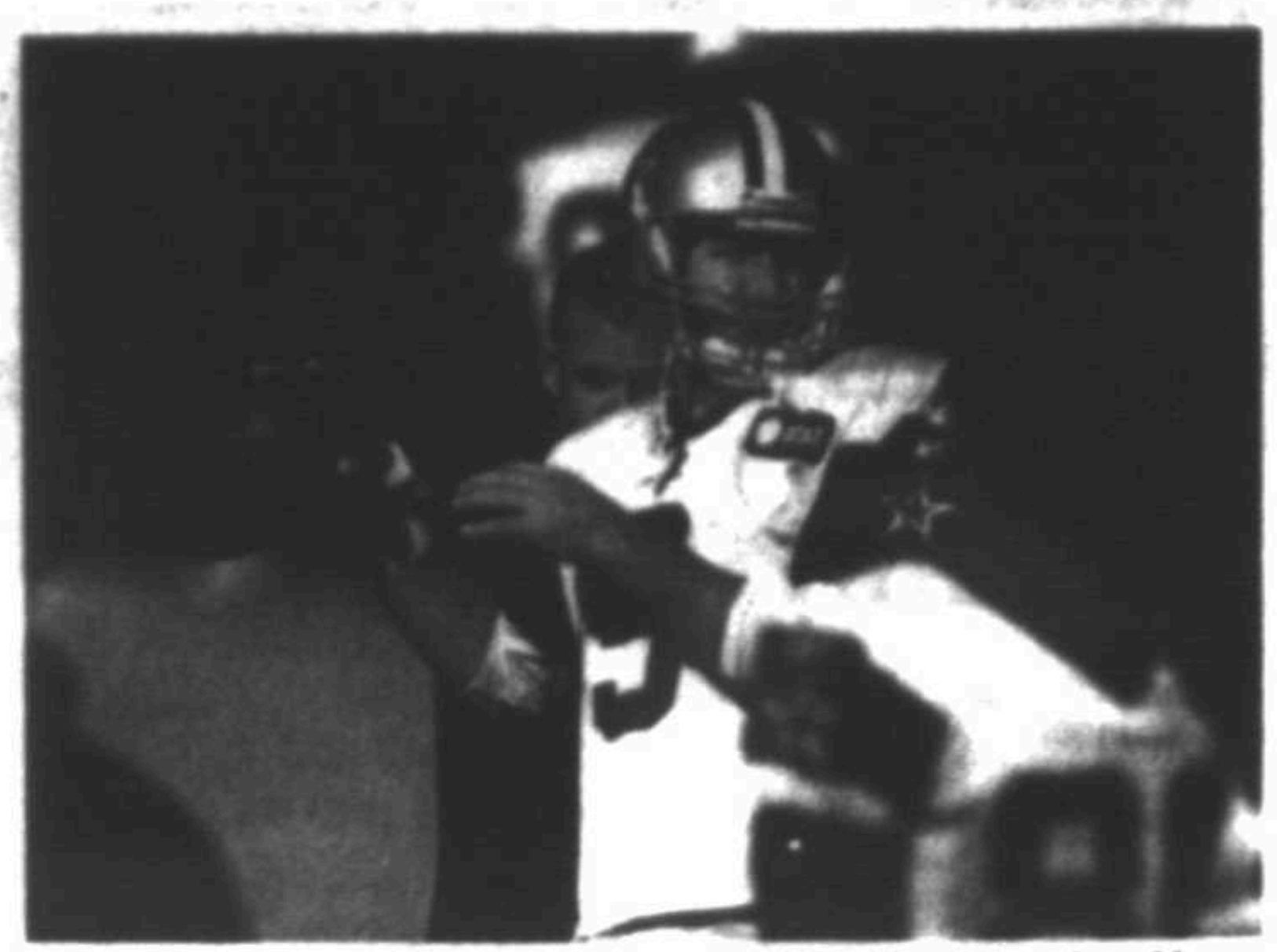

Michael Ainsworth/Dallas Morning News

Dallas quarterback Tony Romo drops back to pass during practice Thursday in Irving. Romo, who banged his hand on a defender's helmet Saturday against the Philadelphia Eagles, has said he expects to play Sunday against the New York Giants with the NFC East title on the line.

Romo has more protection on hand

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

IRVING — With tape still wrapped around his bruised throwing hand after practice, Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo insists that he will be ready to play in what is essentially a playoff game against the New York Giants.

"Everything's coming together like we thought, just each day it's getting a little bit better," Romo said Thursday. "We'll be good to go this weekend."

Romo wore the protective wrap on his swollen right hand, the one he banged on a defender's helmet on the opening series Saturday against Philadelphia before coming out of the game. The wrap leaves his fingers and thumb free. He wasn't wearing anything on the hand Wednesday.

The Cowboys go on the road to face the Giants on Sunday night, a matchup of 8-7 teams that will decide the NFC East and fill the NFC's last playoff spot.

Romo, who played through a broken rib early this season, said he isn't worried about whether he will feel normal Sunday.

"You have to go out there and practice all week and get yourself ready to go to the game on Sunday. I'm excited that we're in this position and we have an opportunity to go and play in a big game like this," he said. "This is when it gets fun. No matter what, you're not going to sit one of these out."

During the few minutes early in practice open to reporters Thursday, Romo came out of the locker room wearing the protective wrap and made a few soft tosses. He was also bantering with teammates.

"Tony did a little bit more today than he did yesterday. I wouldn't constitute a full practice, but he's making some progress," coach Jason Garrett said. "The swelling still is there. ... All the functional things that a quarterback has to do, he has to be able to do by game time, and he's making progress in all those areas."

Garrett said backup quarterback Stephen McGee, who finished Saturday's game after Romo got hurt, got some work with the first-team offense again Thursday.

Even with the rib injury in Week 2 and not playing much last week against Philadelphia, Romo has already thrown for 3,895 yards and 29 touchdowns. He still has a chance for his third 4,000-yard passing season and his second year with at least 30 TDs. No other Dallas quarterback has reached 4,000 yards or 30 TDs in a season.

TEXASCOLLEGE BASKETBALL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MEN

TEXAS A&M 76, ARKANSAS TECH 58

COLLEGE STATION, — Elston Turner scored 19 points and Ray Turner added 15 and a career-high 15 rebounds as Texas A&M got a 76-58 win over Division II Arkansas Tech on Thursday night.

The win breaks a two-game skid for the Aggies (9-3) in their last non-conference game before opening Big 12 play on Monday against No. 6 Baylor.

UTEP 79, ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF 58

EL PASO — Cedrick Lang hit all nine shots he took, scoring 22 points Thursday night to pace UTEP to a 79-58 victory over Arkansas-Pine Bluff in the third-place game of the Sun Bowl Invitational.

Gabriel McCulley added 18 points for the Miners (7-7). John Bohannon had 14 points and 10 rebounds.

UALR 69, NORTH TEXAS 66

DENTON — Will Neighbour and D'Andre Williams scored 19 points each to lead UALR to a 69-66 victory against North Texas on Thursday night.

In a rematch of last year's Sun Belt tournament championship game, Neighbor had 11 rebounds and Chuck Guy added 12 points for the Trojans (4-10, 1-0).

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 83, TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN 56

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — Bradley Gay scored 17 points and Bo Ingram added 12 to lead Texas-Arlington to an 83-56 victory against Texas-Pan American on Thursday night.

LaMarcus Reed and Jorge Redmon had 11 points each for the Mavericks (7-5). Jordan Reves collected nine points and 11 rebounds.

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LOCAL FORECAST

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 66 and north breezes between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight, the low should drop into the low 30s.

On Saturday, the forecast calls for sunny skies and a warm, 74-degree day. A low of 34 is expected.

On Sunday, cooler temperatures are in the forecast. The high will reach the low 50s, and the low is expected to fall into the 20s. There is no rain the seven-day forecast.

The high on Thursday reached 68 while the low dropped to 31. The record high for Dec. 29 is 77 set in 1945. The record low is 9 set in 1983 and 1939.

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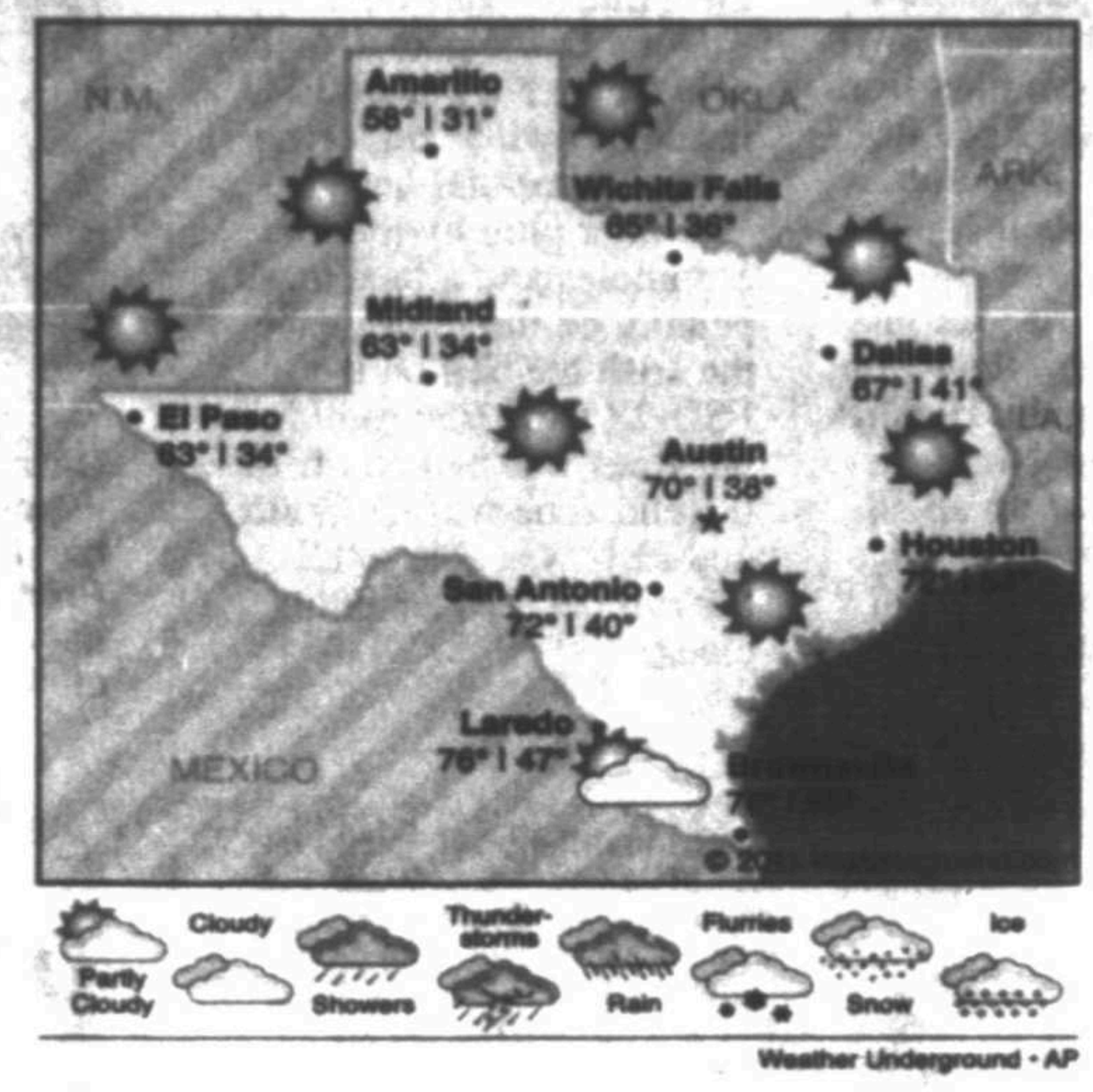
Storms will continue to affect only the northern half of the nation today. A weak storm will spread light snow and rain showers from the Great Lakes to New England. Where rain does not mix in over the northern flank of the storm from the central Great Lakes to northern New England, up to a few inches can accumulate. But most areas will receive only a small amount of snow. Farther west, the northern Plains will get a break from the little storms and gusty winds.



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Precipitation

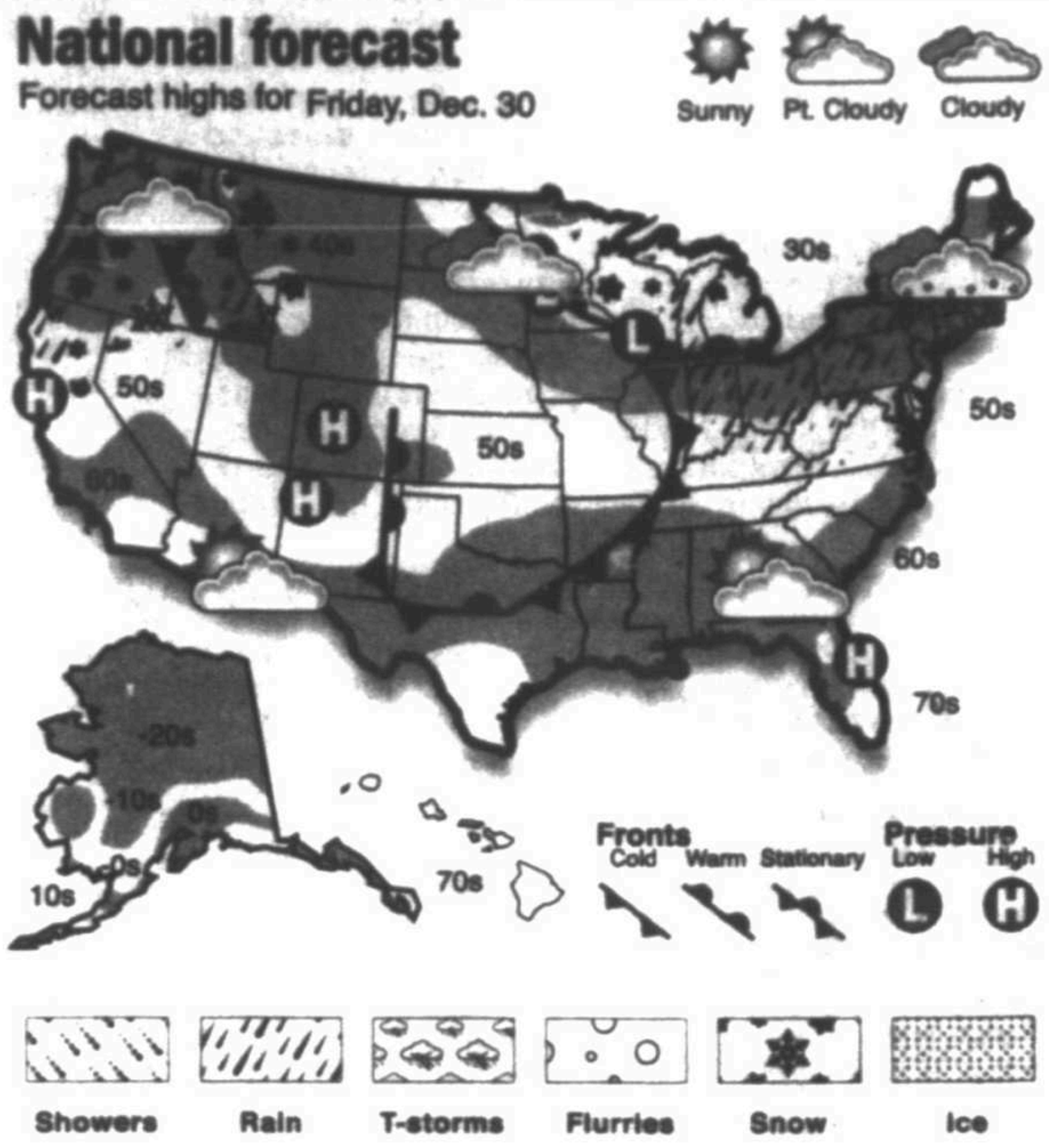
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Total for month	1.63 in.
Total for year	5.49 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.57 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	68
Low	31
Normal high	57
Normal low	30
Sunrise	7:49 a.m.
Sunset	5:54 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Dec. 30



Desperate daughter wants to break free from mom

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 25-year-old woman with no future. I am the youngest of three daughters. My parents are divorced, and my sisters are both married. Mom has no income of her own, so it's mainly me.

I have come to realize I'll never be able to have an apartment of my own or fully live my life because of her. She's controlling and always finds a way to make me feel guilty about going out or enjoying myself. I have never had a relationship because she has always found a way of sabotaging it.

I think she's bipolar, but she doesn't believe in medication or that it's even real. I feel as if I'm forced to take care of her, and when I finally have a chance to have a real life, it will be too late.

I have discussed this with my sisters, but they haven't helped. I'm depressed and don't know what to do. If I bring this up with Mom, she gets angry and won't talk to me for days. Please help me find a way out. — TRAPPED IN CHICAGO

DEAR TRAPPED: Your umbilical cord was supposed to have been severed 25 years ago, at birth. You are an adult individual who deserves happiness and freedom from this attachment to your mother.

She may not believe in doctors and therapists — and that's her privilege as long as she's not a danger to herself and others. But that doesn't mean you shouldn't talk with a mental health professional about this unhealthy situation.

Your sisters haven't helped you because they have their freedom and don't want to share the responsibility you have been carrying alone. Your mother doesn't want to let go of you because if she does, she'll have to assume responsibility for herself.

Please act now. Your escape hatch is the door to a therapist's office. You deserve a life, so go there and get one.

DEAR ABBY: I recently found out that my boyfriend of three years — the only man I have ever been with — cheated on me with a woman I thought was a good friend. I love him and have decided to take him back and fight for what we had. He assured me that he wants to be only with me, that what he did was "stupid" and he has learned his lesson.

Abby, although I have forgiven him, I can't bring myself to forgive HER. I have never been someone who holds a grudge, but I have so much hate for her that it scares me. I did get professional help, but it didn't work.

I don't want to be like this. This is not who I am. I'm worried about how I might react when I see her. I can't avoid her because we work in the same industry. Why can I forgive him but not her? — MOVING FORWARD IN TEXAS

DEAR MOVING FORWARD: Probably because having invested three years in the "only man you have ever been with," you don't want it to have been for nothing — so you're directing the anger you still feel toward HIM at the woman you would like to imagine seduced him. (Remember, it takes two to tango.) Also, you may still regard her as a threat.

While you may have forgiven your boyfriend, do not forget what happened. A man who cheats and blames it on "stupidity" may do it again with someone else. You need to understand why he did what he did. Is he someone who lives only in the moment? Did he not consider how it would affect you? Is he capable of fidelity in the long run? From my perspective, you need answers to these questions because you may only now be getting to know who he really is.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 30, 2011:

This year you often find yourself confused or in situations where misunderstandings cause a problem. Learn better ways of communicating. Learn to confirm appointments as well as what you thought you heard. Much of the stress you experience will be between you and others. Relationships will become an important issue. If you are single, move in a new direction as far as meeting people. Don't count on a bond being forever at this time. If you are attached, the two of you should consider a weekend workshop in communicating. Your relationship will bond more tightly as a result. PISCES draws you out.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★ You push so hard that you often miss out on other parts of your life. Right now, rest up for the next hurdle. You have a unique sense of what works and what you want. Honor yourself accordingly. Tonight: Work on your resolutions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ No one needs to tell you anything, and maybe no one should try. You are determined. You feel you have destiny behind you. You easily toss off a misunderstanding or disagreement. Don't count on a child or loved one agreeing with you. Tonight: You are master of your night.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Take charge of what has been neglected and needs handling. Others might have slacked off or might not see the importance of a key task like you do. Be willing to stand up for what you believe. Don't worry about some flak here or there. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Reach out for someone you care about. How you feel and what goes on could be subject to change. Sometimes you can change the current. Is this what you want to do at this point? Resolve a conflict rather than hold back. Tonight: Speak your mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Realize the power and strength of teaming up with the right person. Though you are strong by yourself, together you are a force to behold. Be careful with a difference of opinion. Respect your differences. Tonight: Avoid a money discussion if it is going to be a source of anger.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might want to think before you speak. Who wants to go into the new year riding a wave of disruption and arguments? Sometimes postponing a talk might feel like the right way to go. Tonight: Move through an issue.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Stay even and direct. Your ability to move forward despite an underlying distraction or frustration could be a problem. Confusion surrounds motives and choices. Let it all go. You could argue into next year otherwise. Tonight: Easy works.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Your playfulness emerges as sensuality, causing a disruption in a partnership, especially if you're flirting with someone else. Do use caution, as you want to avoid a problem rather than allow it to develop. Prioritize, Scorp. Tonight: Let your hair down.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Tension builds, especially on the home front. A deadline of sorts weighs on you, triggering some distress. Investigate several ways to let go of the issues. How much do you need to handle now? "Now" means just that. Clear them out if need be. Tonight: Close to home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ A conversation cannot be postponed much longer. Someone keeps calling and calling — the theme is clear. A talk or get-together won't be as rough as you might think. A misunderstanding weaves into the problem. Tonight: Why not let the party begin?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Don't use finances or another person's ire as a reason not to do something. If you can clear up a misunderstanding, do. Respect each other's point of view, and use both perspectives to grow and gain. The smart move is to work through your differences. Tonight: On a roll. Think "resolutions."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You cannot seem to convince others of your rightness. Perhaps that is because it is only right for you. Give others the space they need to live and act on their views. Once they have their way, they could become more compliant. Tonight: Go with another person's suggestion.

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BORN TODAY

Madam Heidi Fleiss (1965), golfer Tiger Woods (1975), author Rudyard Kipling (1865)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Create an option

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ Q
♡ A Q J 10 8
♢ 9 7 6 2
♣ K 8 5

WEST
♠ 8 6 5 3 2
♡ K 4
♢ A 5
♣ 9 7 4 2

EAST
♠ 10 9 7 4
♡ 6 5 3
♢ J 8 4
♣ J 10 6

SOUTH
♠ A K J
♡ 9 7 2
♢ K Q 10 3
♣ A Q 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♢	Pass	1♡	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♢	Pass
3♠	Pass	6♢	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Three of ♠

Deceptive plays do not necessarily have to be profound to succeed. Simply creating a viable alternative for declarer can work wonders. Consider this deal.

North-South reached a poor diamond slam in short order. Once South cue-bid spades instead of signing off, North got the bit between his teeth and barged into the diamond slam in quick time.

To succeed, the heart king had to be on-side and declarer would have to hold his trump losers to one. West led a spade, won by dummy's queen. A diamond to the king lost to the ace, and West shifted to a club. That was taken by dummy's king and declarer proceeded with the percentage play of finessing the 10 of diamonds when East followed low. When that held, the slam rolled home as the cards lay.

There are always 12 tricks if declarer guesses to finesse the diamond 10. However, West could have sown a seed of doubt in declarer's mind by the simple expedient of holding up the ace when South first broaches trumps. Suddenly declarer has an option — to play East for the ace of trumps and West for a doubleton knave. To cater to that lie of the cards, declarer will cross back to dummy and lead another trump, going up with the queen when East follows low. That loses to the ace and East's knave of trumps becomes the setting trick.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Constantly
5 Numbers, e.g.
9 Longing words
14 New Zealand fruit
15 Open-mouthed
16 Cinched, with "up"
17 Univ. seniors' tests
18 Daily take in the Lumber department?
20 Broods
22 Currency of Freetown
23 Revenue in Lingerie?
26 Guys' mates
30 Rash protection
31 Over the top
33 "Third Rock From the Sun" family, e.g.
36 There's often a colon in one
39 India's first prime minister
40 Outlay in Electronics?
43 Jejune
44 Spider-Man Parker
45 "Don't think so"
46 First tea sold in individual packets
48 Cupid counterpart
50 Blondie drummer Burke
51 Merchandise capacity in Men's Wear?
56 Pianist Gilels et al.
58 Outcast
60 Display case in Wine & Spirits?
65 Shamu, for one
66 "Hill Street Blues" actress
67 Life-of-the-party type
68 "JAG" spin-off
69 Fail to hold up, as a bank
70 Contributes
71 Band with the debut album "Diamond Life"

DOWN
1 ER lines
2 Bug
3 Controversial Gettysburg general
4 Take a gamble
5 Blot away, as a tear
6 Back in time
7 "__ the Girls I've Loved Before": Nelson/Iglesias hit
8 Go along
9 Dust jacket no.
10 Words before a stunt
11 Be in debt
12 Green shade
13 Byrnes of "77 Sunset Strip"
19 "__ thou love me?": Juliet
21 Bickered
24 __ shot
25 Go on the fritz
27 "It's __ line between love and hate": 1971 song lyric
28 Doone in Exmoor
29 Murmuring sound
32 Like some soap
33 Certain Prot.
34 Like Schubert's music
35 Wet lowland
37 Anger
38 Certain chamber music group
41 Like much Le Creuset cookware
42 Oft-embroidered word
47 Yard sale proviso
49 Battle of Hastings fighters
52 Extreme
53 "Huh?" response opening
54 About
55 1961 Heston role
57 M.'s counterpart
59 Simplicity
60 Petal-plucking pronoun
61 Main man?
62 Chatspeak qualifier
63 Approval of a kind
64 Some NFL linemen

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

S	C	A	T	■	T	R	O	M	P	■	D	A	S	H
A	L	D	O	■	W	I	L	D	E	■	E	L	L	A
D	U	E	P	R	O	C	E	S	S	O	F	L	A	W
D	E	N	S	E	F	O	G	■	■	M	A	I	N	S
■	■	■	O	L	E	■	■	S	C	R	U	N	G	E
E	Y	E	F	O	R	D	E	T	A	I	L	■	■	■
L	O	O	F	A	■	I	N	O	R	■	T	A	C	K
E	R	N	■	D	E	C	O	L	O	R	■	N	B	A
V	E	S	T	■	T	I	L	E	■	O	C	T	E	T
■	■	■	H	E	R	E	A	N	D	T	H	E	R	E
C	A	L	I	P	E	R	■	■	A	G	E	■	■	■
O	W	E	T	O	■	■	A	C	T	U	A	L	L	Y
U	H	O	H	S	P	A	G	H	E	T	T	I	O	S
P	I	N	E	■	A	D	A	I	R	■	E	R	L	E
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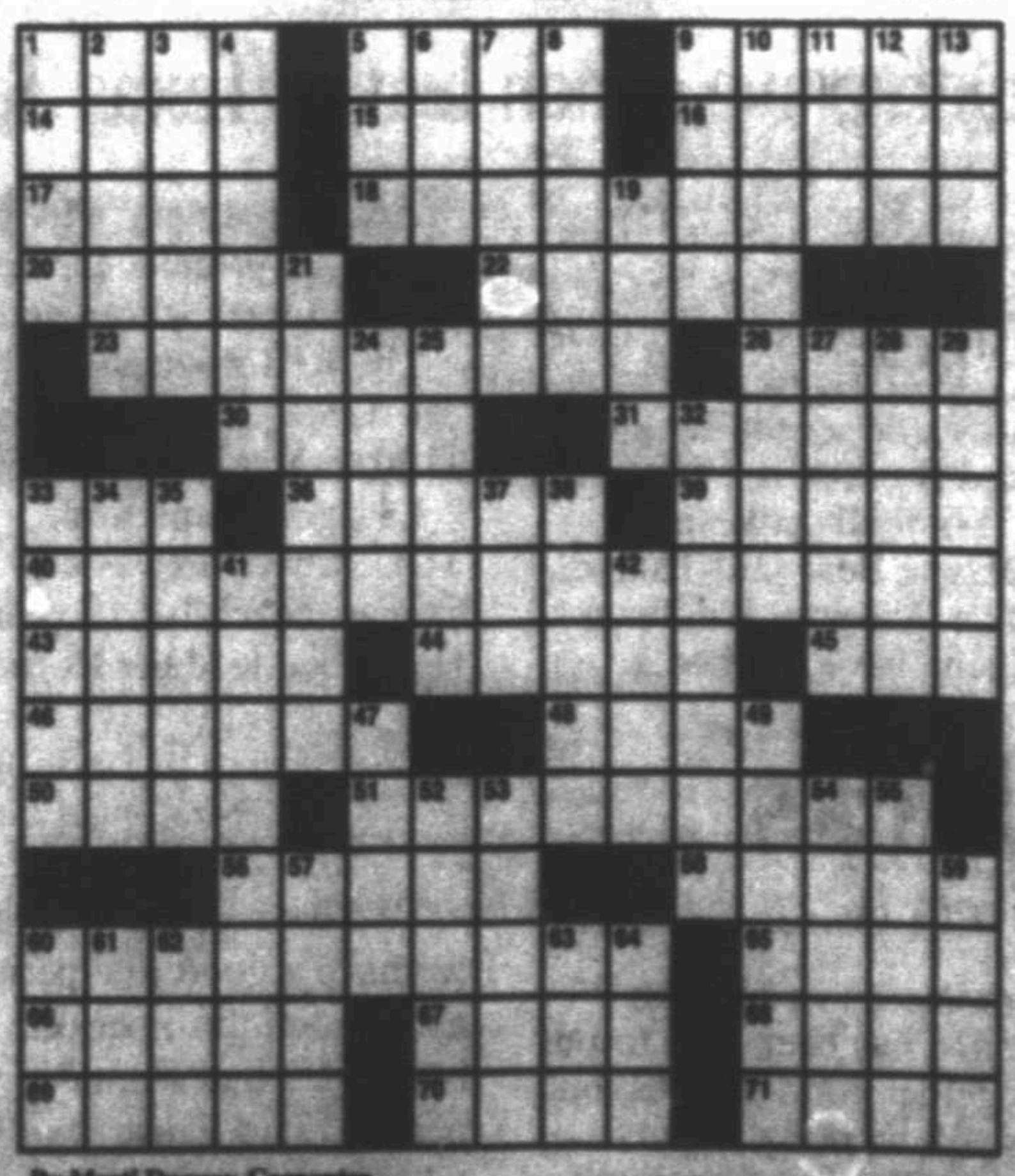

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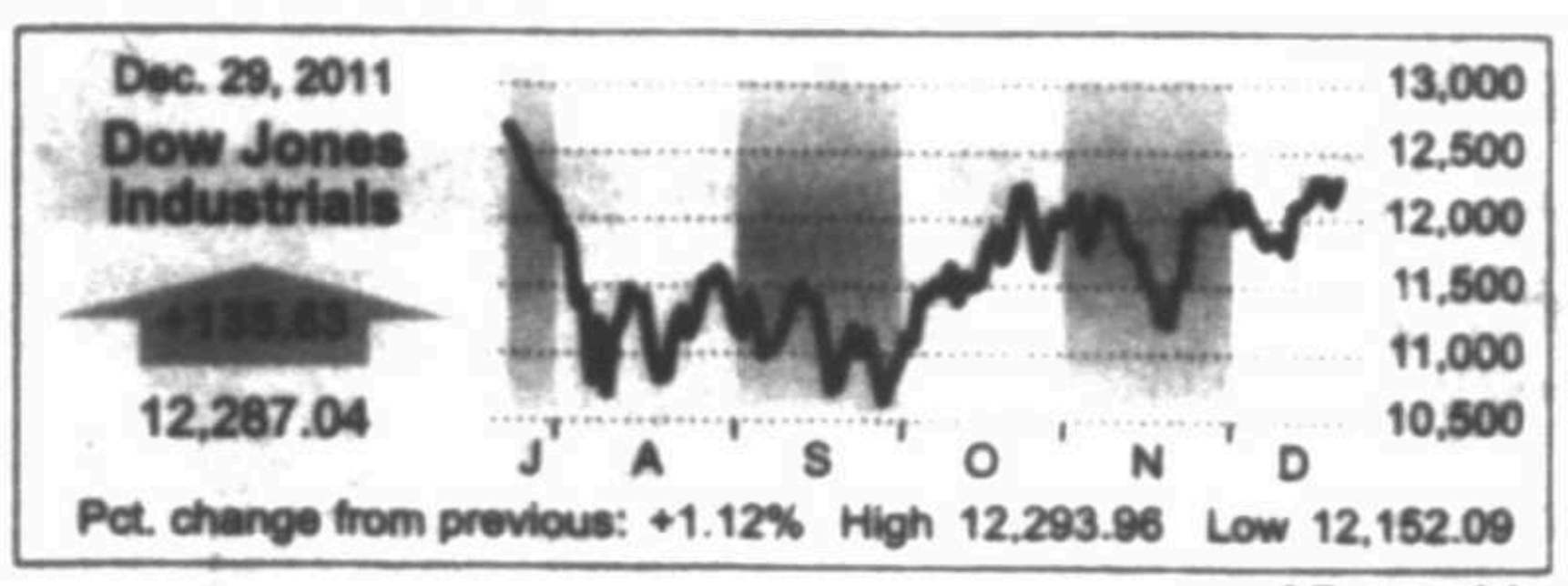

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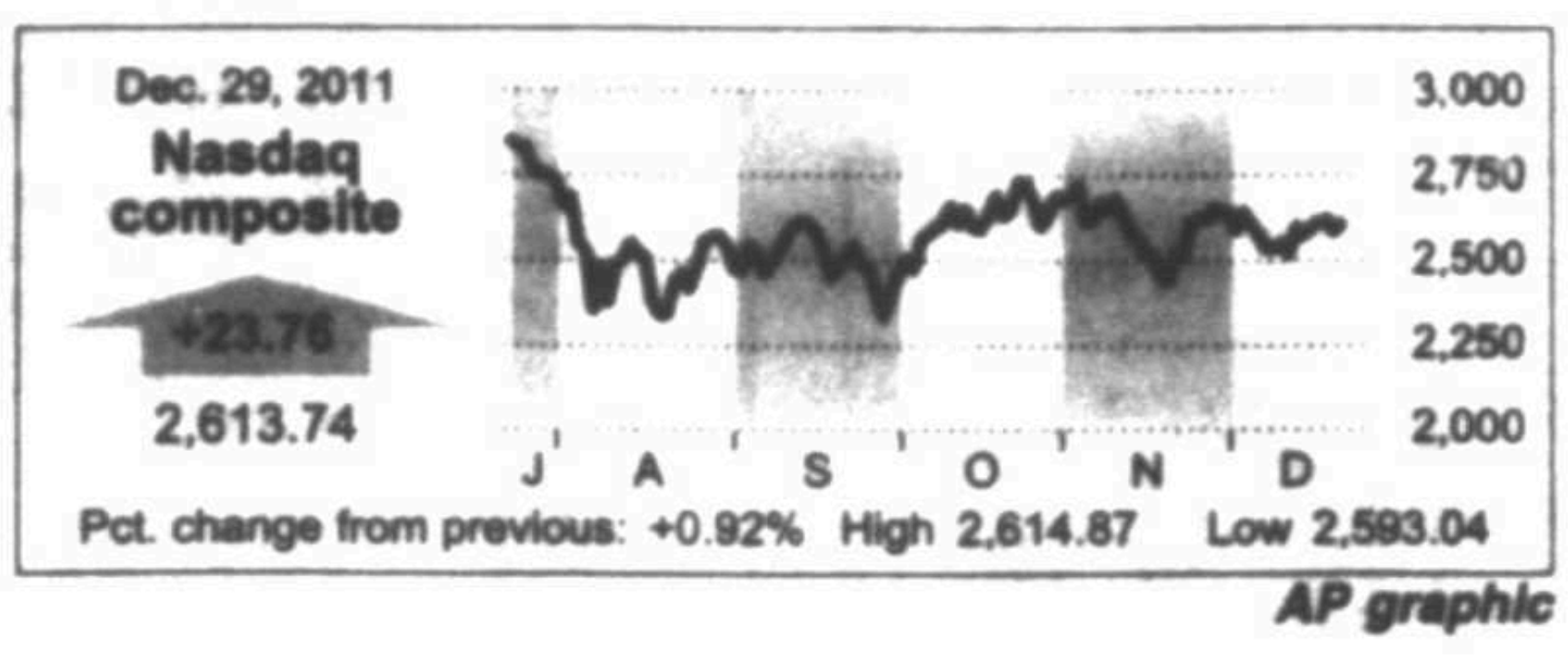

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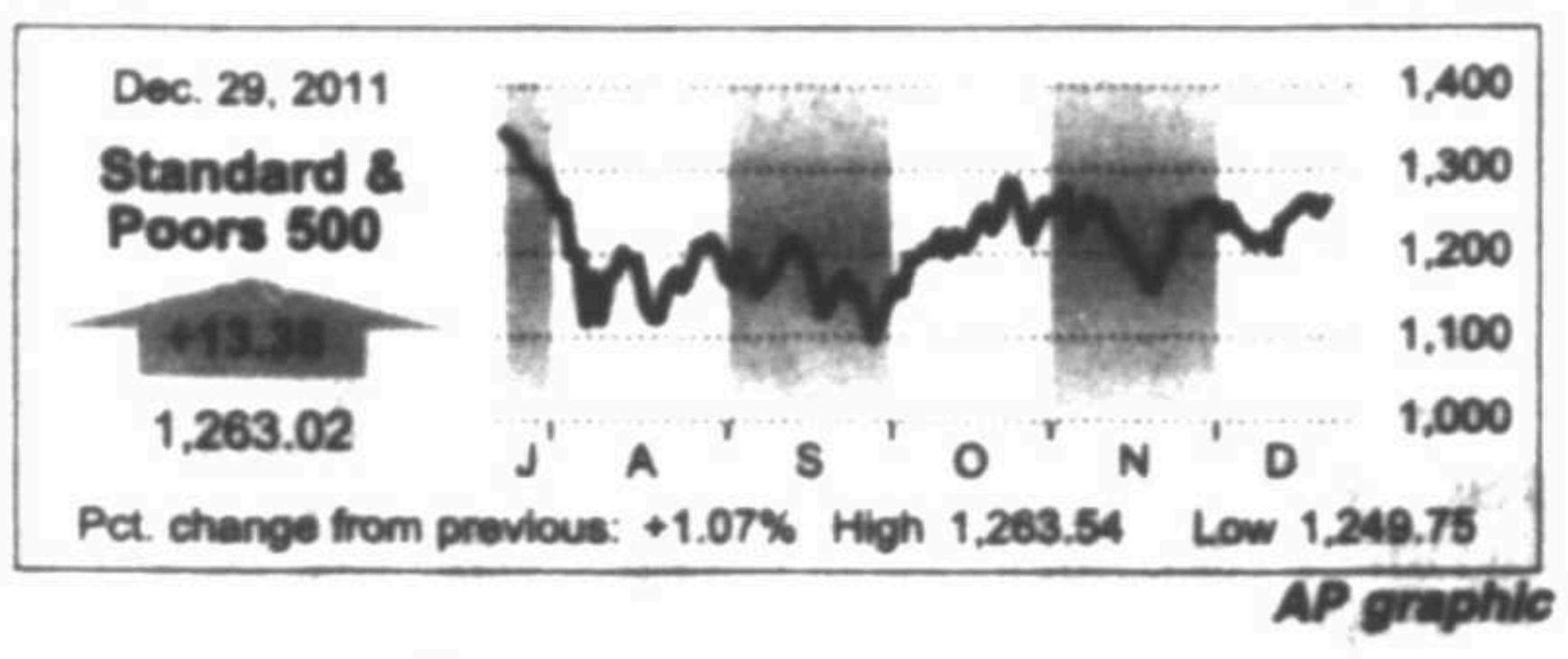

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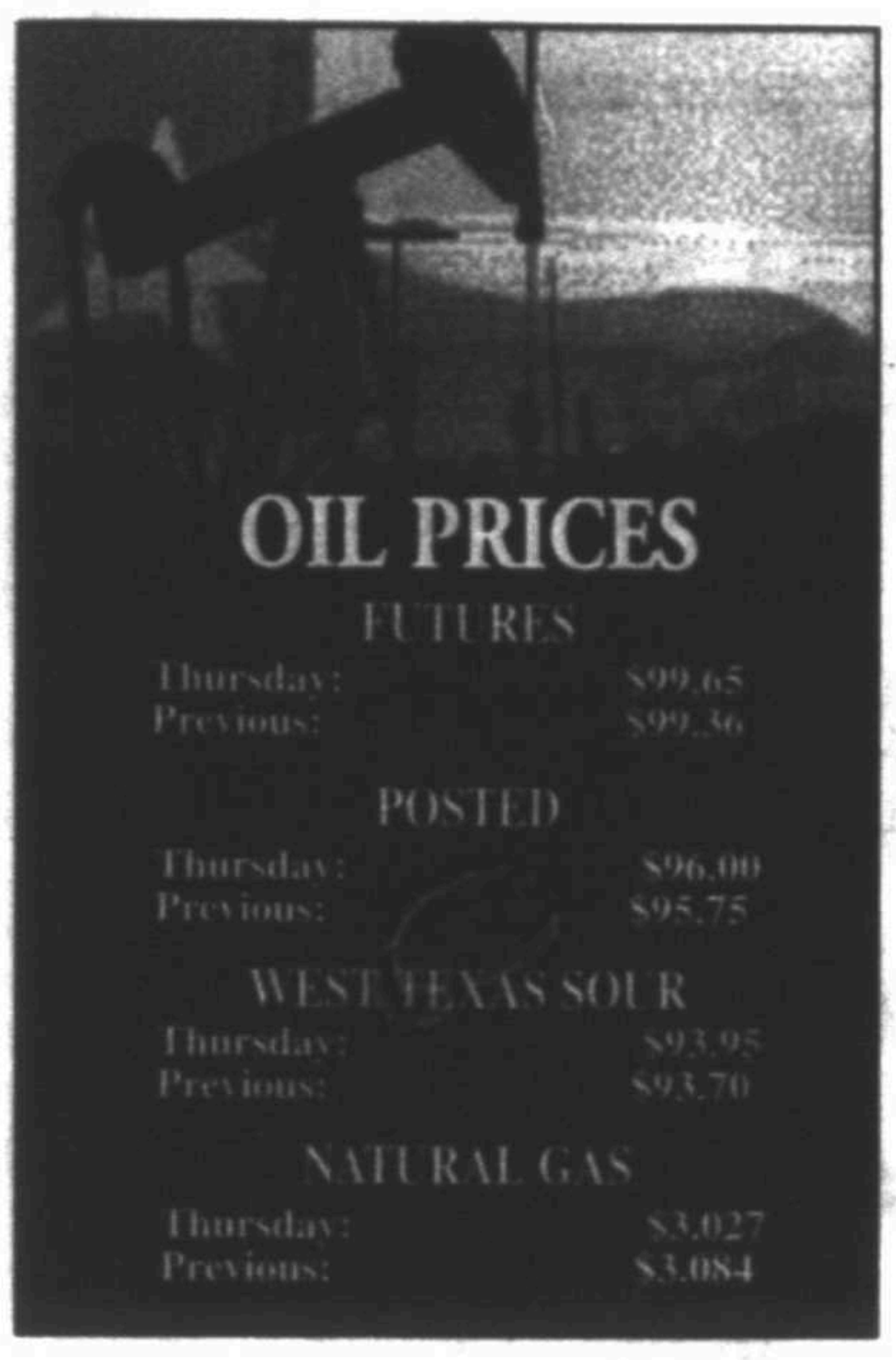

OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday:	$99.65
Previous:	$99.36

POSTED

Thursday:	$96.00
Previous:	$95.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday:	$93.95
Previous:	$93.70

NATURAL GAS

Thursday:	$3.027
Previous:	$3.084

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1619983	5.46	+.18
S&P500ETF	1013361	126.12	+1.29
GenElec	407345	18.07	+.24
SPDR Fncl	357552	13.07	+.21
FordM	336929	10.68	+.16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ColGrEqSt	28.00	+4.19	+17.6
Amrep	6.74	+.89	+15.2
ChiCBlood	2.40	+.24	+11.1
MSSPBw12	5.86	+.56	+10.6
CS VS3xSlv	28.00	+2.35	+9.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ETrSPlat	29.10	-5.40	-15.7
CSVS3xInSlv	59.94	-5.74	-8.7
ProUSSlv rs	15.81	-1.39	-8.1
QuantNomo	23.01	-1.99	-8.0
ProSUltNG	21.00	-1.37	-6.1

DIARY

Advanced	2,390
Declined	652
Unchanged	94
Total issues	3,136
New Highs	109
New Lows	33
Volume	2,226,141,765

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
CheniereEn	27641	8.71	-.19
Rentech	26710	1.32	-.02
CFCda g	21996	19.34	+.58
NwGold g	21272	9.92	+.29
NovaGld g	20398	8.33	+.38

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NewConcEn	2.35	+.54	+29.9
Aerosonic	2.98	+.38	+14.6
AlmadnM g	2.47	+.31	+14.4
CoastD	2.20	+.20	+10.0
SparkNet	3.83	+.27	+7.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Flanign	6.62	-.80	-10.8
HeraldNB	3.41	-.32	-8.6
HKN	2.26	-.21	-8.5
Aerocntry	6.50	-.58	-8.2
PacGE pfD	25.38	-1.34	-5.0

DIARY

Advanced	271
Declined	179
Unchanged	34
Total issues	484
New Highs	17
New Lows	21
Volume	83,134,445

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
PwShs QQQ	243689	55.99	+.40
Intel	219817	24.55	+.33
Microsoft	219567	26.02	+.20
FrontierCm	216506	5.01	+.20
SiriusXM	195752	1.82	+.01

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AllCsfFn h	2.49	+.79	+46.5
LiveDeal	4.38	+1.32	+43.1
Napco	2.51	+.40	+19.0
CIFC Corp	5.55	+.84	+17.8
Cardiom g	2.61	+.38	+17.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Cyanotch h	7.62	-1.28	-14.4
MSB Fin	4.29	-.58	-11.9
CrescntF	3.82	-.49	-11.3
OakRidgeF	2.51	-.30	-10.7
AmIndep	3.61	-.38	-9.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,881
Declined	718
Unchanged	106
Total issues	2,705
New Highs	33
New Lows	73
Volume	1,013,685,249

Associated Press

In this Dec. 14 photo, a line worker moves an engine on the assembly line for a Ford Focus at the Ford Michigan Assembly plant in Wayne, Mich. The number of people applying for unemployment benefits each week has dropped by 10 percent since January.

US job market ends year in better shape

By Christopher S. Rugaber
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The long-suffering job market is ending the year better off than it began.

The number of people applying for unemployment benefits each week has dropped by 10 percent since January. The unemployment rate, 8.6 percent in November, is at its lowest level in nearly three years.

Factory output is rising, business owners say they're more optimistic about hiring and consumer confidence has jumped to its highest level since April. Even the beleaguered housing market is looking slightly better.

"We are ending the year on an up note," says Joel Naroff, president of Naroff Economic Advisors.

Still, 25 million Americans remain out of work or unable to find full-time jobs. Most analysts forecast a stronger economy and job growth in 2012 — and rule out a second recession — but they caution that could change if Europe's debt crisis worsens or consumers pull back on spending.

On Thursday, the Labor Department said the number of people applying for unemployment benefits last week rose 15,000 to 381,000. But the four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped to 375,000 — the lowest level since June 2008.

When applications for unemployment benefits consistently fall below 375,000, economists consider it a reasonable sign that hiring is rising enough to push the unemployment rate lower. The four-week average has remained below 400,000 for seven weeks, the longest stretch since April.

A mildly positive report on housing also came out on Thursday. The National Association of Realtors said the number of people who signed contracts to buy homes rose in November to its highest level in a year and a half.

The association sought to temper enthusiasm by noting that the number of canceled contracts is also on the rise. But financial markets seized on the good news in both reports.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose more than 113 points in afternoon trading.

"The recovery in the labor market is maintaining its momentum," says Michael Gapen, an economist at Barclays Capital.

That's noteworthy for an economy faced with a debt crisis in Europe and, as recently as last summer, scattered predictions of a second recession at home.

There was plenty of reason for gloom. A political standoff over the federal borrowing limit brought the United States to the brink of default and cost the nation its top-drawer credit rating.

Most analysts now say another recession is unlikely.

The economy likely grew at an annual rate of 3 percent or more in the final three months of this year, analysts say. That would top the 1.8 percent growth rate in the July-September quarter, and the 0.9 percent growth rate in the first half of the year.

Employers have added an average of 143,000 net jobs a month from September through November. That's almost double the pace for the previous three months, but it's below the pace from the first quarter of 2011.

Oil nears $100

Oil prices climbed near $100 per barrel Thursday on stronger jobs and housing data in the U.S.

Benchmark U.S. crude added 29 cents to end the day at $99.65 per barrel in New York.

Oil rose late in the day after the government reported that claims for jobless benefits fell to a four-week average of 375,000. That's the lowest level in three and a half years.

At the pump, retail gasoline prices rose by about a penny to a national average of $3.254 per gallon, according to AAA, Wright Express and Oil Price Information Service. A gallon of regular is about 4 cents cheaper than a month ago, but it's still more than 19 cents higher than the same time last year.

In other energy trading, heating oil rose by 2.41 cents to finish at $2.9175 per gallon, and gasoline futures added 2.88 cents to finish at $2.6801 per gallon.

Brent crude, which is used to price foreign oil varieties that are imported by U.S. refineries, increased by 45 cents to finish at $108.01 per barrel in London.

Euro recovers

The euro recovered from a 15-month low against the dollar Thursday after positive U.S. jobs and housing data encouraged traders to buy riskier currencies.

The euro had fallen as low as $1.2857 Thursday morning, its lowest point since Sept. 2010, after an Italian bond auction disappointed traders. The country raised less money than expected.

The euro was worth $1.2938 late Thursday, practically unchanged from $1.2941 late Wednesday.

In other trading Thursday, the British pound fell to $1.5395 from $1.5455. The dollar fell to 77.65 Japanese yen from 77.91 Japanese yen, to 0.9415 Swiss franc from 0.9424 and to 1.0212 Canadian dollar from 1.0239 Canadian dollar.

Gold prices fell for a sixth straight day Thursday. Gold closed at its lowest level since a late-summer rally began.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Basic Energy Services (BAS)
Closing Price $19.89 Down 0.06

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $77.18 Up 1.74

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $93.57 Up 0.58

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $39.34 Up 0.30

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $28.35 Up 0.15

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.24 Up 0.08

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $14.23 Up 0.05

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
vjAMR	...	...	.52	-.03	-93.4
AT&T Inc	1.76f	15	30.17	+.22	+2.7
Abraxas	...	12	3.35	+.08	-26.7
AdamsEx	.85e	...	9.83	+.06	-10.3
Alcoa	.12	9	8.63	+.11	-43.9
AlonUSA	.16	20	8.78	+.28	+46.8
Amazon	...	92	173.86	-.03	-3.4
Amgen	1.44f	16	64.74	+.74	+17.9
Anadarko	.36	...	76.19	+.58	...
Annaly	2.43e	8	16.06	-.03	-10.3
Apache	.60	9	89.98	+1.46	-24.5
ApldMatl	.32	7	10.66	+.07	-24.0
ATMOS	1.38f	15	33.66	+.21	+7.9
AutoData	1.58f	21	54.35	+.55	+17.4
BP PLC	1.68	7	42.63	+.27	-3.5
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	18.01	-.19	+17.9
BakrHu	.60	13	48.17	+.23	-15.7
BkofAm	.04	...	5.46	+.18	-59.1
BasicEnSv	...	37	19.89	-.06	+20.7
BerkHa A	...	16	115325.00	+525.00	-4.3
BerryPet	.32	15	41.52	+.78	-5.0
BlkHillsCp	1.46	24	34.15	+.49	+13.8
BostonSci	...	15	5.33	+.16	-29.6
BrMySq	1.36f	18	35.27	+.21	+33.2
BrownFA	1.40f	20	79.15	+.02	+14.0
BrownFB	1.40f	20	81.02	+.21	+16.4
CVS Care	.65f	16	41.16	+.12	+18.4
Cameron	...	20	48.65	+.31	-4.1
Caterpillar	1.84	14	90.56	+1.21	-3.3
Celestic g	...	7	7.33	-.07	-24.4
CntryLink	2.90	17	37.19	+.52	-19.4
ChasEng	.35	7	22.73	+.07	-12.3
Chevron	3.24f	8	107.47	+1.61	+17.8
Chicos	.20	14	11.19	+.09	-7.0
Chimera	.51e	5	2.55	+.02	-38.0
Cimarex	.40	10	62.28	+.72	-29.7
Cisco	.24	16	18.25	+.09	-9.8
Citigrp rs	.04	7	26.76	+.83	-43.4
ClayEng	...	9	77.18	+1.74	-8.1
CocaCola	1.88	13	70.16	+.65	+6.7
ColgPal	2.32	19	93.22	+.49	+16.0
CompPrdS	...	14	33.60	+.29	+13.7
ConAgra	.96	15	26.82	+.26	+17.9
ConchoRes	...	...	93.57	+.58	+6.7
ConocPhil	2.64	10	72.87	+1.06	+7.0
CrackerB	1.00	14	50.60	+.47	-7.6
CrosTim	2.92e	17	49.29	+.04	+23.6
DCP Mid	2.56f	37	47.55	+1.31	+27.1
DTE	2.35	13	55.02	+.38	+21.4
Dataram h	...	...	.81	-.02	-48.3
Dawson	...	...	39.34	+.30	+23.3
DevonE	.68	6	62.29	+1.13	-20.7
DrSCBr rs	...	...	26.10	-.87	-44.3
DirFnBr rs	...	...	36.76	-1.68	-22.2
DirxSCBull	...	...	45.57	+1.37	-37.1
Disney	.60f	15	37.71	+.47	+.5
DowChm	1.00	12	28.73	+.56	-15.8
EMC Cp	...	21	21.59	+.16	-5.7
EOG Res	.64	25	98.05	+1.61	+7.3
EmpDist	...	17	21.34	+.24	-3.9
Energen	.54	12	49.93	+1.08	+3.5
EngyTsfr	3.58	34	45.62	+.09	-12.0
EnPro	...	15	33.73	+.43	-18.8
EntPrPt	2.45f	36	46.19	+.66	+11.0
EricsnTel	.37e	...	10.04	+.14	-12.9
ExterranH	...	...	8.82	+.29	-63.2
ExxonMbl	1.88	10	85.27	+1.09	+16.6
FordM	.20	5	10.68	+.16	-36.4
ForestOil s	...	12	13.26	+.19	-51.5
FMCG s	1.00	6	36.54	+.23	-39.1
FrontierCm	.75	33	5.01	+.20	-48.5
FrozenFd	...	...	1.40	+.02	-68.3
GATX	1.16	23	44.33	+1.17	+25.7
GabGloM	1.08f	...	6.22	+.04	-24.2
GAInv	.50e	...	24.93	+.21	-7.0
GenElec	.68f	15	18.07	+.24	-1.2
Golfsmith	...	...	3.48	+.33	+43.8
Goodrich	1.16	26	123.70	+.25	+40.5
GtPlainEn	.85f	17	21.93	+.18	+13.1
Halibrtn	.36	12	33.79	+.54	-17.2
Heinz	1.92	18	54.31	+.38	+9.8
HewlettP	.48	8	25.82	+.42	-39.1
Hitachi	...	...	52.15	+.71	-2.2
HuntBnk	.16	11	5.61	+.14	-18.3
iShGold	...	...	15.07	-.08	+8.4
iShJapn	.20e	...	9.04	+.18	-17.1
iShSilver	...	...	27.07	+.80	-10.3
iShChina25	.77e	...	34.85	+.32	-19.1
iShEMkts	.81e	...	37.91	+.43	-20.4
iS Eafe	1.71e	...	49.29	+.89	-15.3
iShR2K	1.02e	...	74.15	+.74	-5.2
IntegrysE	2.72	16	54.38	+.33	+12.1
Intel	.84	10	24.55	+.33	+16.7
InterDig	.40	20	44.18	-.02	+6.1
JPMorgCh	1.00	7	33.42	+.77	-21.2
JohnJn	2.28	16	65.88	+.43	+6.5
KimbClk	2.80	18	74.00	+.82	+17.4
KindME	4.64f	...	84.24	+.62	+19.9
KindMM	4.64f	...	78.26	+.31	+17.0
LegacyRes	2.18f	11	28.36	+.15	-1.3
Lowes	.56	18	25.68	+.62	+2.4
Lubys	...	23	4.52	+.12	-27.9
MGM Rsts	...	...	10.25	+.16	-31.0
MktVGold	.15e	...	51.20	+1.14	-16.7
McDnlds	2.80f	20	100.81	+1.23	+31.3
Merck	1.68f	13	37.73	+.30	+4.7
MeritMed s	...	23	13.56	+.12	+7.1
MexcoEn	...	60	7.24	+.08	-5.4
MicronT	...	...	6.27	+.10	-21.8
Microsoft	.80	9	26.02	+.20	-6.8
MorgStan	.20	9	15.24	+.34	-44.0
Nabors	...	13	17.59	+.18	-25.0
NatGrid	3.00e	...	48.61	+.82	+9.5
NOilVarco	.48f	15	67.87	+1.04	+.9
NewsCpA	.19f	16	17.87	+.42	+22.7
NokiaCp	.55e	...	4.77	+.03	-53.8
NvMAd	.99a	...	14.60	+.05	+11.6
NvPMI	.94	...	14.78	+.04	+13.3
NuvPI	.92	...	14.45	+.04	+12.7
NSTFI3	.86a	...	14.21	-.08	+8.5
NTXQI	.86	...	16.21	+.10	+8.6
OcciPet	1.84	12	93.72	+.87	-4.5
Oracle	.24	14	25.80	+.29	-17.6
PacEth rs	...	...	1.14	-.01	-77.4
ParTech	...	14	3.69	+.04	-35.4
ParkDrl	...	33	7.24	+.18	+59.4
PattUTI	.20	11	19.91	+.25	-7.6
PenRE	.60	...	10.55	+.25	-27.4
Prmian	1.36e	15	20.46	+.13	-9.7
Petrobras	1.26e	...	24.60	+.11	-35.0
Pfizer	.88f	14	21.71	+.18	+24.0
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PwShs QQQ	.46e	...	55.99	+.40	+2.8
Praxair	2.00	24	107.14	+1.10	+12.2
Prm[illegible]	...	...	22.68	+.68	+17.2
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ProUSSP500		...	...	12.99	-.36
-33.1					
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RAM En h	...	36	2.84	+.02	+54.3
RangeRs	.16	...	62.49	+.68	+38.9
RegionsFn	.04	26	4.36	+.12	-37.7
RschMotn	...	3	14.34	+.09	-75.3
Rowan	...	25	31.02	+.14	-11.1
RoyDShllA	3.36	15	73.12	+.90	+9.5
SpdrDJIA	3.26e	...	122.52	+1.27	+6.0
SpdrGold	...	...	150.34	-.69	+8.4
S&P500ETF	2.58e	...	126.12	+1.29	+.3
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SandRdge	...	12	8.22	+.13	+12.3
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Schlmbrg	1.00	20	67.41	+.37	-19.3
Schwab	.24	17	11.30	+.07	-34.0
SigmaAld	.72	17	62.55	+.77	-6.0
SiriusXM	...	46	1.82	+.01	+11.7
Smucker	1.92	19	78.63	+.27	+19.8
SprintNex	...	...	2.31	+.03	-45.4
SPDR Fncl	.22e	...	13.07	+.21	-18.1
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TelefEsp s	2.14e	...	17.09	+.25	-25.1
Tesoro	...	5	23.34	+.27	+25.9
3M Co	2.20	14	82.11	+.96	-4.9
Trchmrk s	.48	9	43.67	+.87	+9.6
TriContl	.39e	...	14.25	+.03	+3.6
TylerTech	...	30	30.48	+.56	+46.8
UBWV	1.24f	16	29.22	+.79	+.1
US NGs rs	...	...	6.58	-.20	-45.1
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12,876.00	10,404.49	Dow Jones Industrials	12,287.04	+135.63	+1.12	+6.13	+8.20
5,627.85	3,950.66	Dow Jones Transportation	5,042.29	+68.26	+1.37	-1.26	-1.30
467.09	381.99	Dow Jones Utilities	467.12	+3.84	+.83	+15.34	+15.41
8,718.25	6,414.89	NYSE Composite	7,485.63	+88.64	+1.20	-8.01	-5.86
2,490.51	1,941.99	Amex Index	2,286.13	+16.86	+.74	+2.61	+3.22
2,887.75	2,298.89	Nasdaq Composite	2,613.74	+23.76	+.92	-1.48	-1.85
1,370.58	1,074.77	S&P 500	1,263.02	+13.38	+1.07	+.43	+.41
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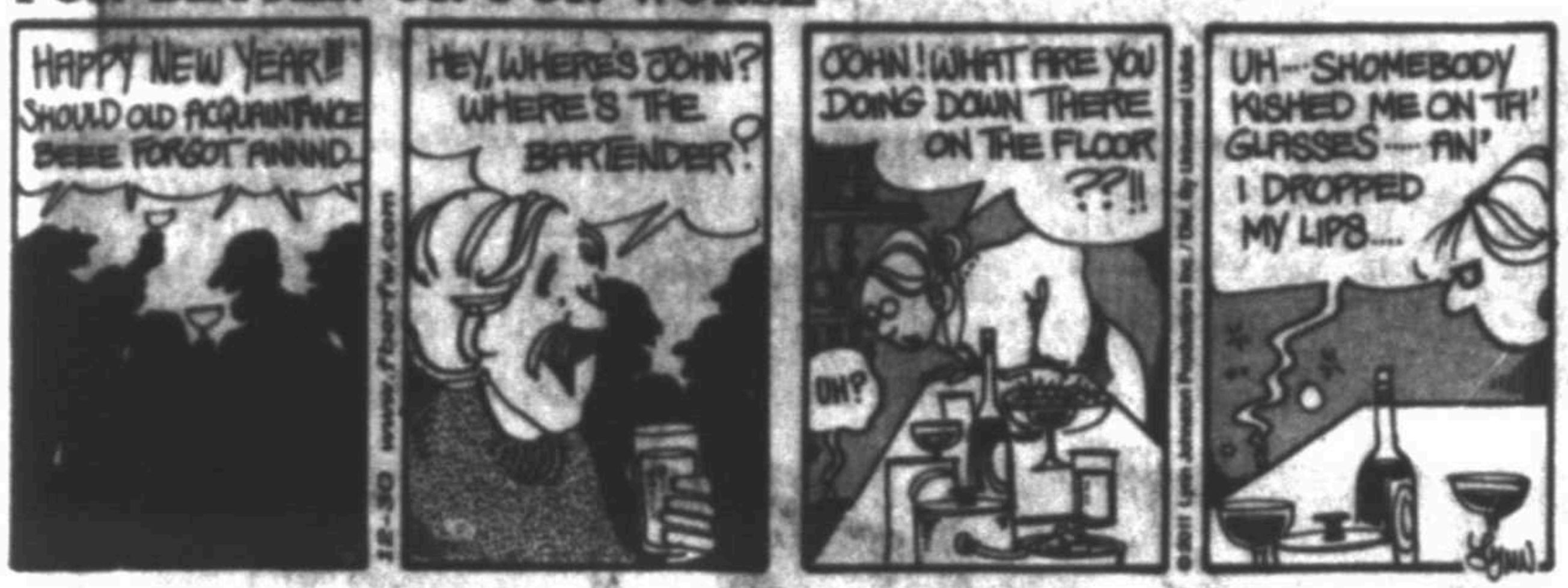
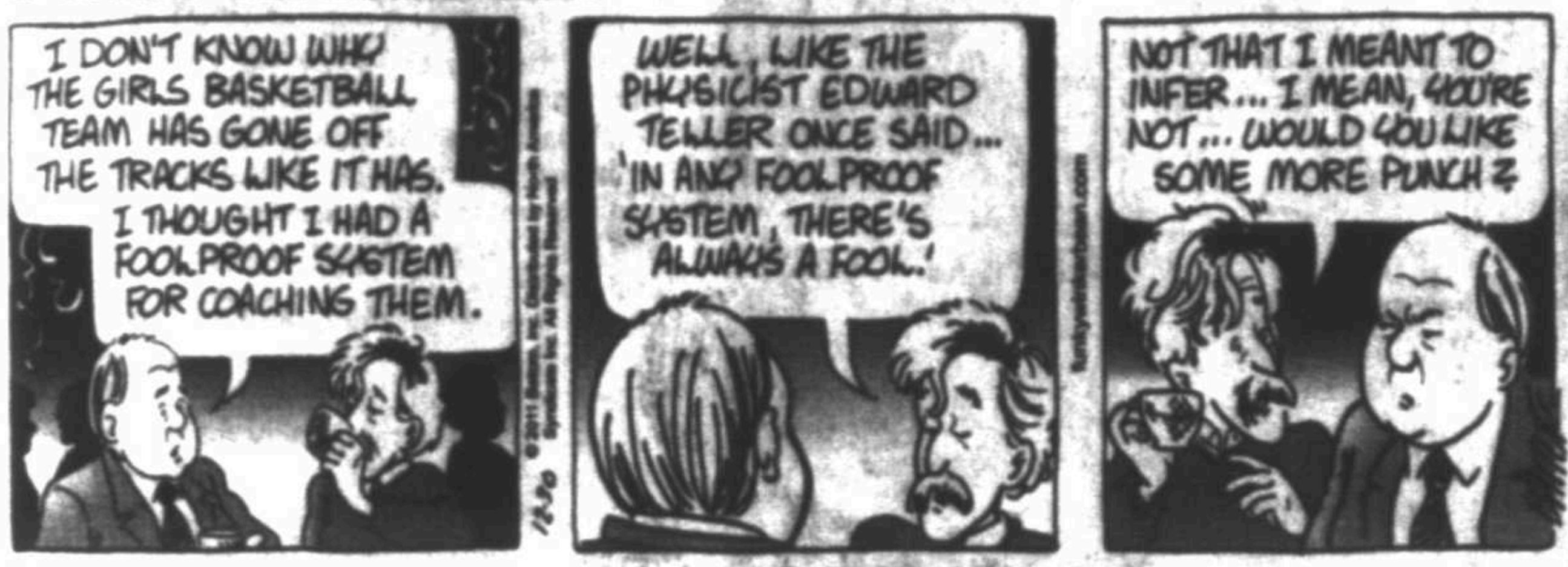
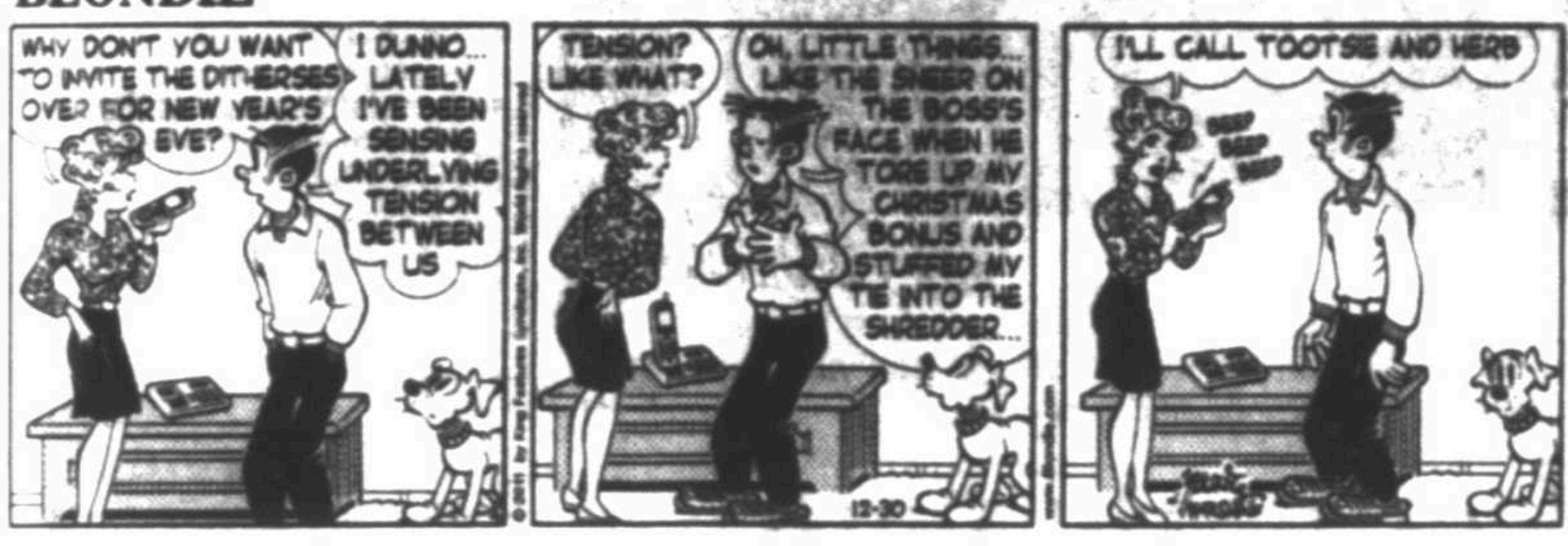

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! SHOULD OLD ACQUAINTANCE BEEE FORGOT ANNND...
HEY, WHERE'S JOHN? WHERE'S THE BARTENDER?
JOHN! WHAT ARE YOU DOING DOWN THERE ON THE FLOOR ??!!
UH?
UH-- SHOMEBODY KISHED ME ON TH' GLASSES -- AN' I DROPPED MY LIPS....
12-30

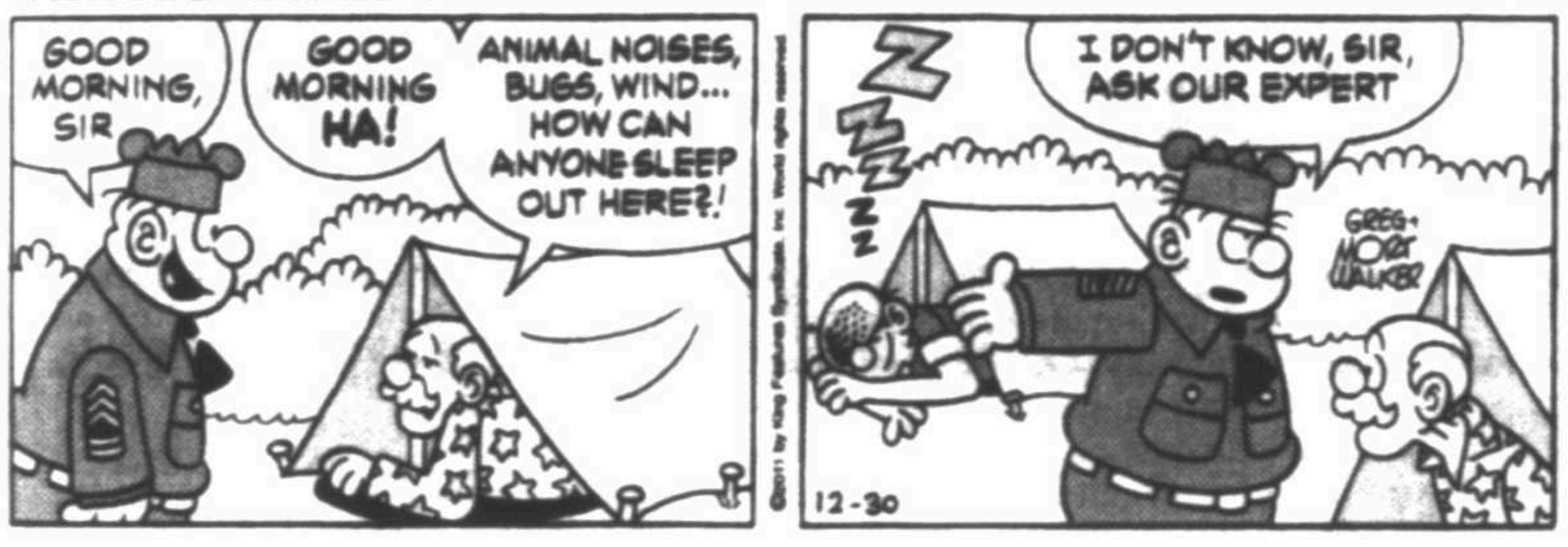
FUNKY WINKERBEAN


I DON'T KNOW WHY THE GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM HAS GONE OFF THE TRACKS LIKE IT HAS.
I THOUGHT I HAD A FOOLPROOF SYSTEM FOR COACHING THEM.
WELL, LIKE THE PHYSICIST EDWARD TELLER ONCE SAID... 'IN ANY FOOLPROOF SYSTEM, THERE'S ALWAYS A FOOL.'
NOT THAT I MEANT TO INFER... I MEAN, YOU'RE NOT... WOULD YOU LIKE SOME MORE PUNCH?
12-30

BLONDIE


WHY DON'T YOU WANT TO INVITE THE DITHERSES OVER FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE?
I DUNNO... LATELY I'VE BEEN SENSING UNDERLYING TENSION BETWEEN US
TENSION? LIKE WHAT?
OH, LITTLE THINGS... LIKE THE SNEER ON THE BOSS'S FACE WHEN HE TORE UP MY CHRISTMAS BONUS AND STUFFED MY TIE INTO THE SHREDDER...
I'LL CALL TOOTSIE AND HERB
BEEP BEEP BEEP
12-30

BEETLE BAILEY


GOOD MORNING, SIR
GOOD MORNING HA!
ANIMAL NOISES, BUGS, WIND... HOW CAN ANYONE SLEEP OUT HERE?!
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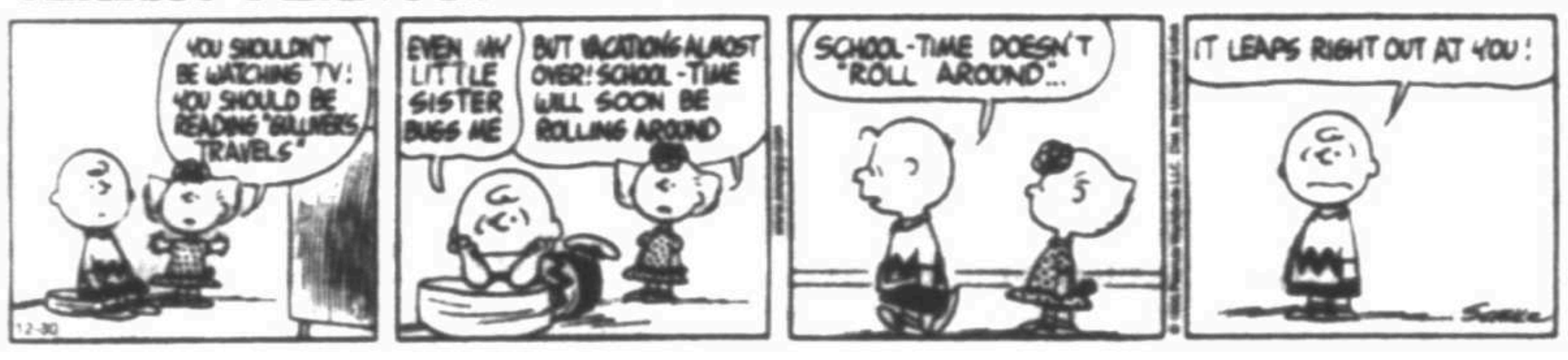
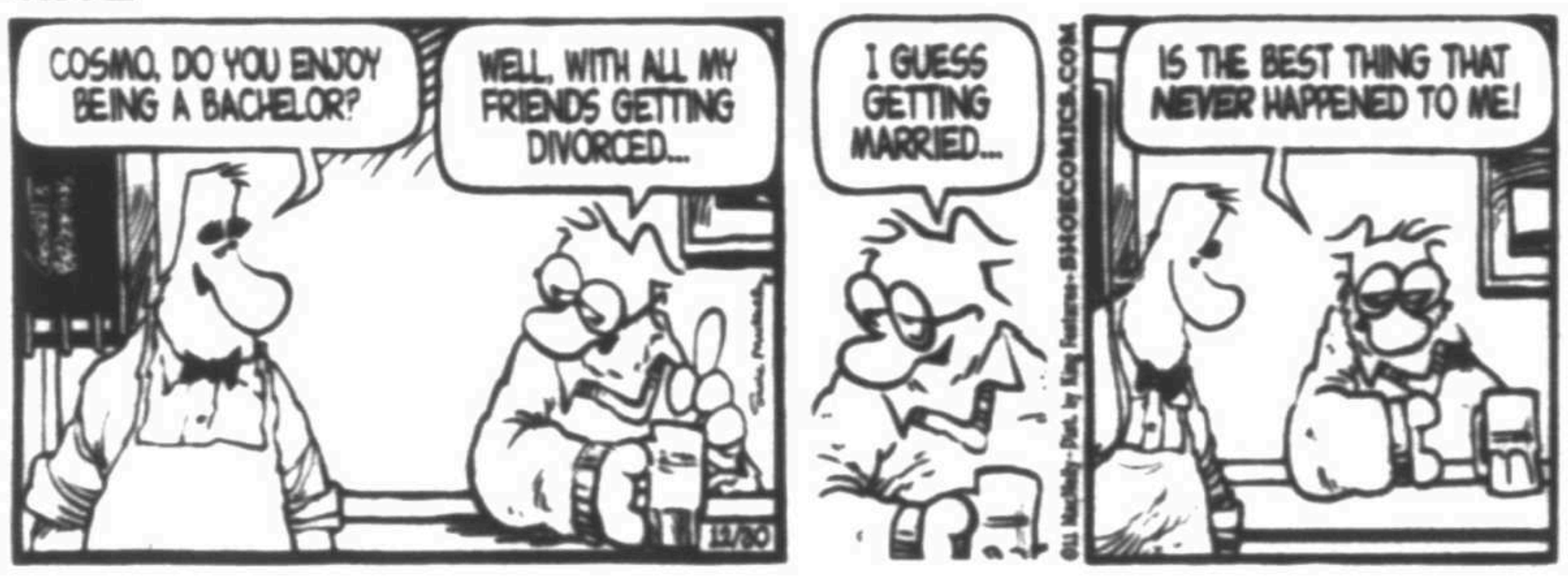
I DON'T KNOW, SIR, ASK OUR EXPERT
GREG+MORT WALKER
12-30

CLASSIC PEANUTS


YOU SHOULDN'T BE WATCHING TV! YOU SHOULD BE READING "GULLIVER'S TRAVELS"
EVEN MY LITTLE SISTER BUGS ME
BUT VACATION'S ALMOST OVER! SCHOOL-TIME WILL SOON BE ROLLING AROUND
SCHOOL-TIME DOESN'T "ROLL AROUND"...
IT LEAPS RIGHT OUT AT YOU!
12-30
SCHULZ

SHOE


COSMO, DO YOU ENJOY BEING A BACHELOR?
WELL, WITH ALL MY FRIENDS GETTING DIVORCED...
I GUESS GETTING MARRIED...
IS THE BEST THING THAT NEVER HAPPENED TO ME!
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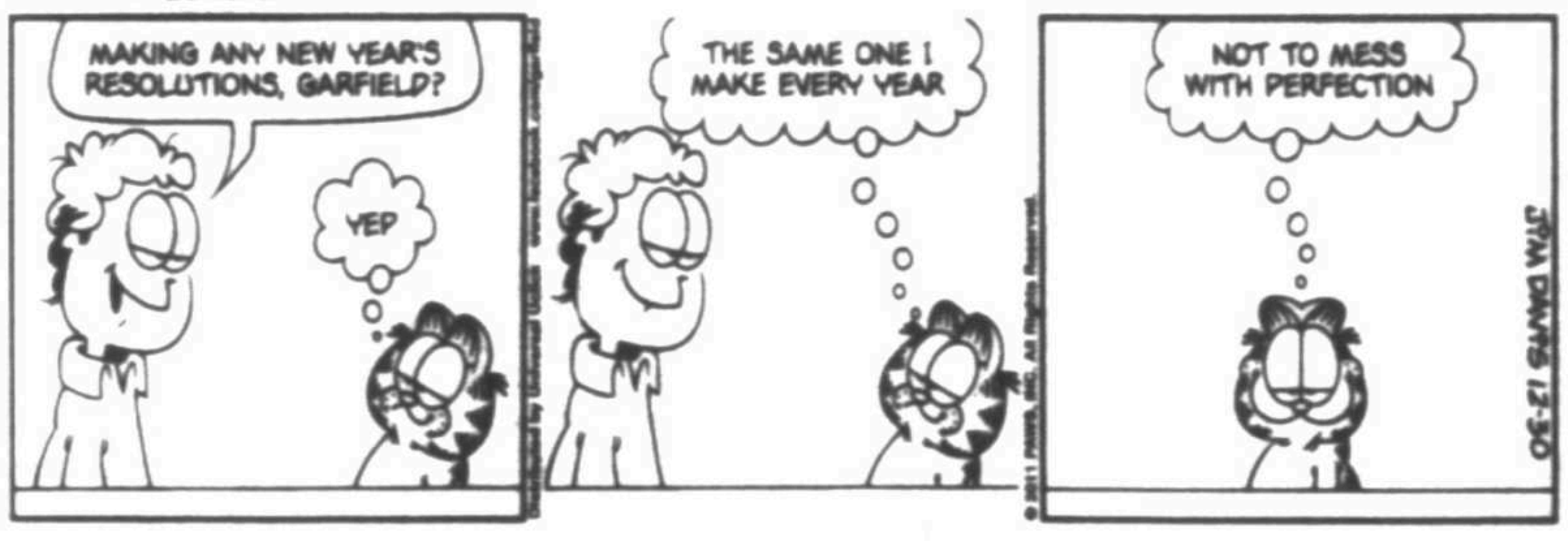
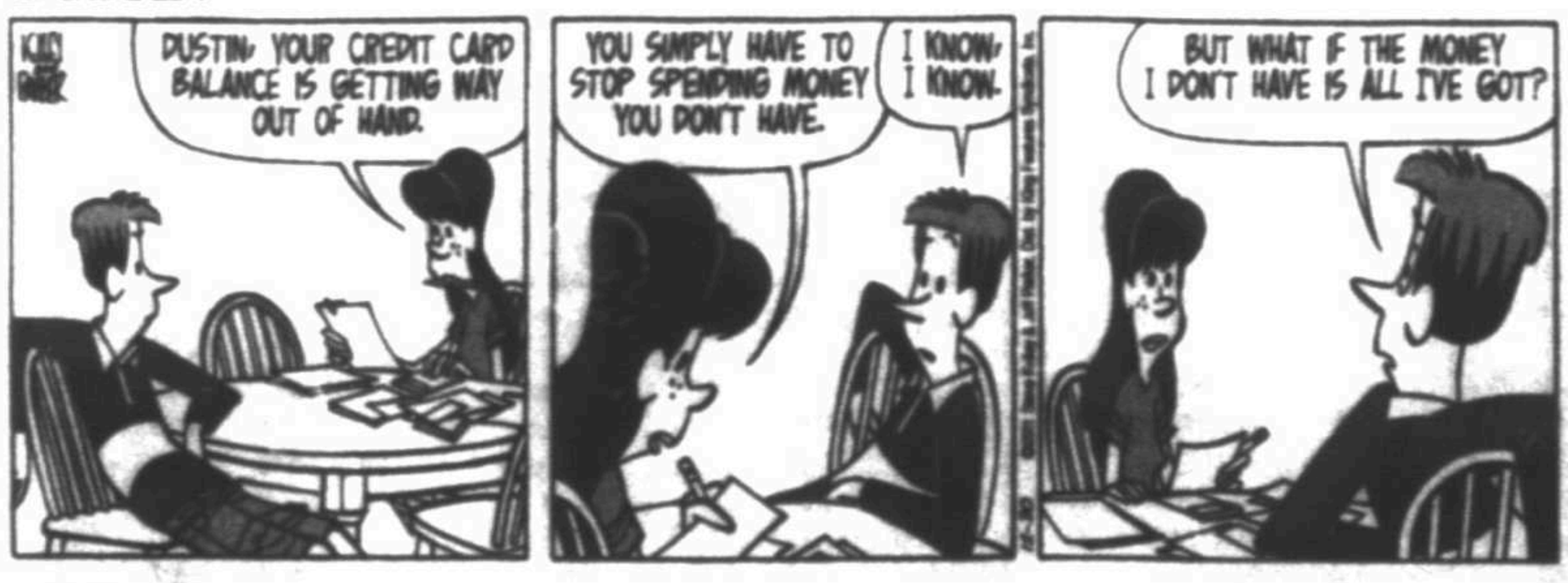
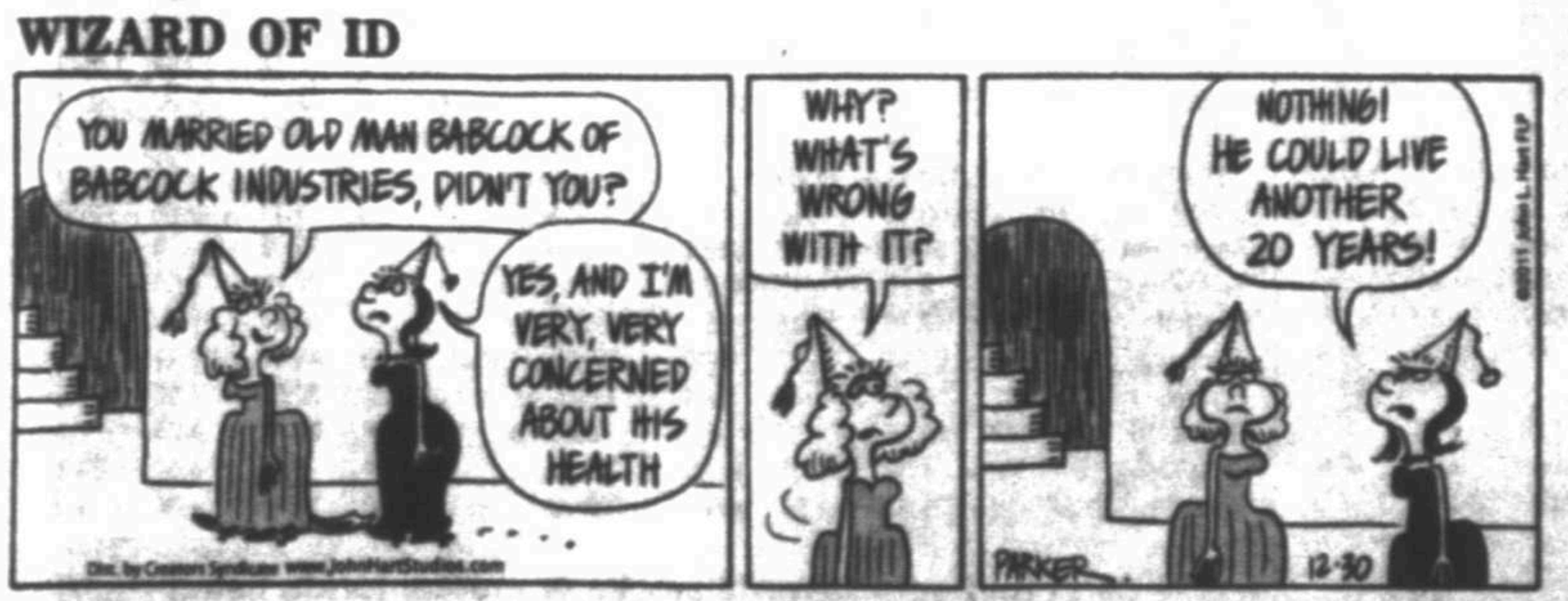
GARFIELD


MAKING ANY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS, GARFIELD?
YEP
THE SAME ONE I MAKE EVERY YEAR
NOT TO MESS WITH PERFECTION
JIM DAVIS 12-30

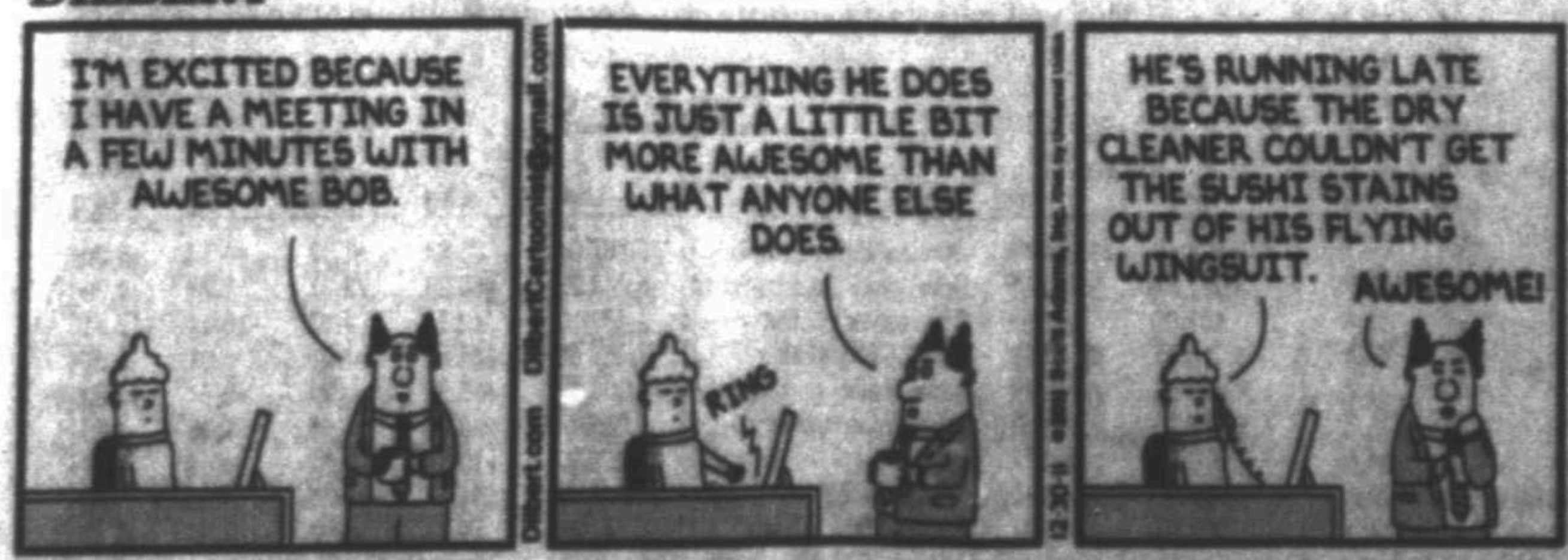
DUSTIN


DUSTIN, YOUR CREDIT CARD BALANCE IS GETTING WAY OUT OF HAND.
YOU SIMPLY HAVE TO STOP SPENDING MONEY YOU DON'T HAVE.
I KNOW, I KNOW.
BUT WHAT IF THE MONEY I DON'T HAVE IS ALL I'VE GOT?

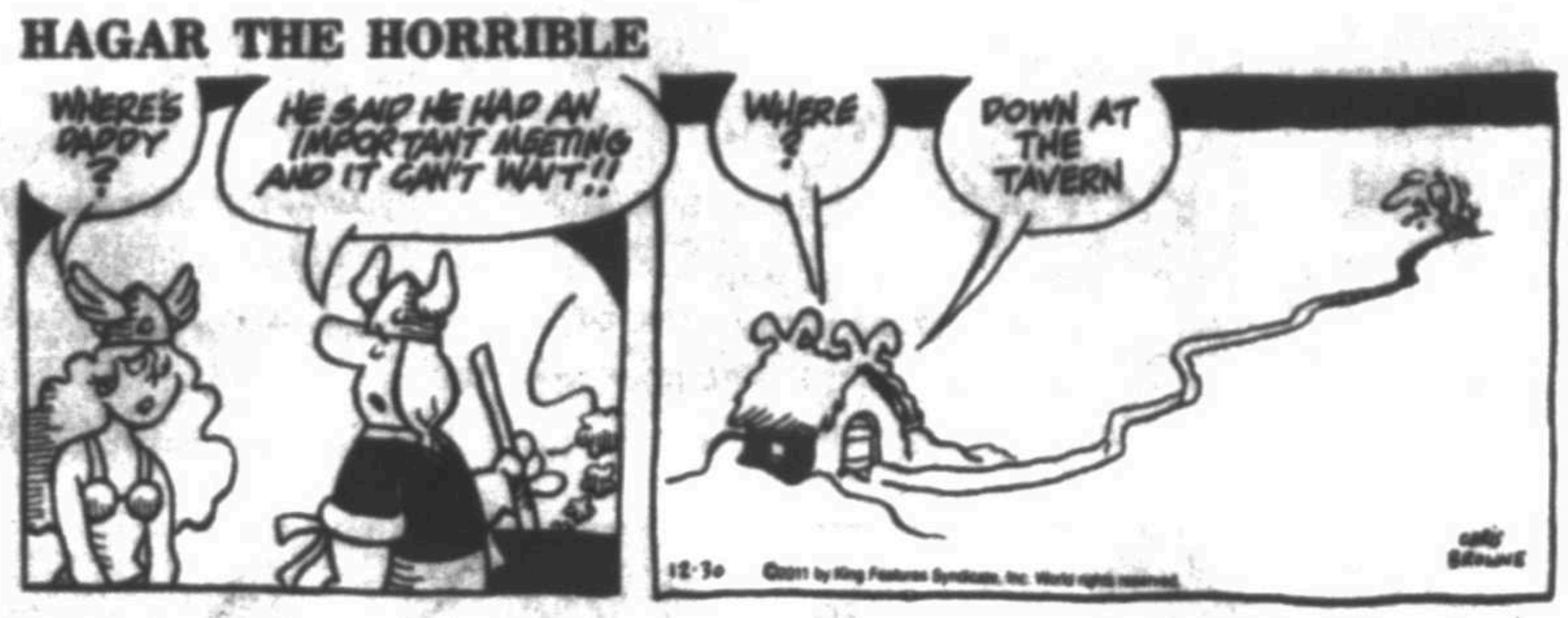
WIZARD OF ID


YOU MARRIED OLD MAN BABCOCK OF BABCOCK INDUSTRIES, DIDN'T YOU?
YES, AND I'M VERY, VERY CONCERNED ABOUT HIS HEALTH
WHY? WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT?
NOTHING! HE COULD LIVE ANOTHER 20 YEARS!
PARKER
12-30

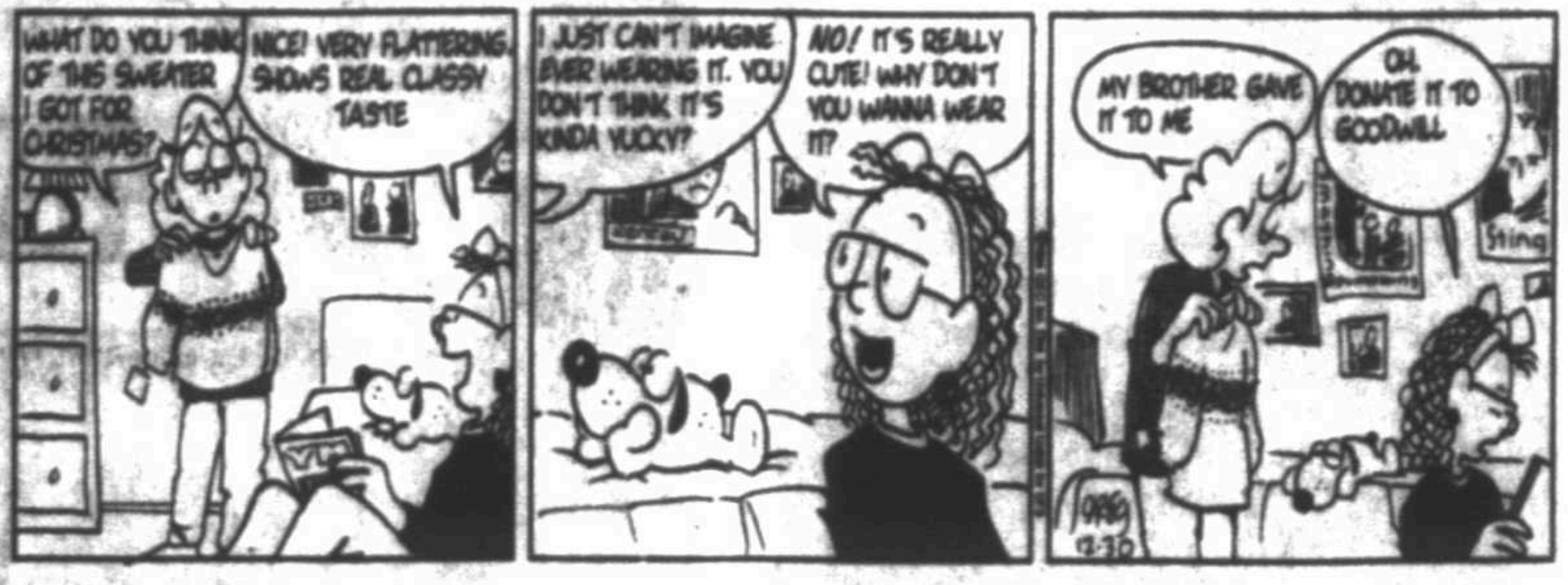
DILBERT


I'M EXCITED BECAUSE I HAVE A MEETING IN A FEW MINUTES WITH AWESOME BOB.
EVERYTHING HE DOES IS JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE AWESOME THAN WHAT ANYONE ELSE DOES.
RING
HE'S RUNNING LATE BECAUSE THE DRY CLEANER COULDN'T GET THE SUSHI STAINS OUT OF HIS FLYING WINGSUIT.
AWESOME!

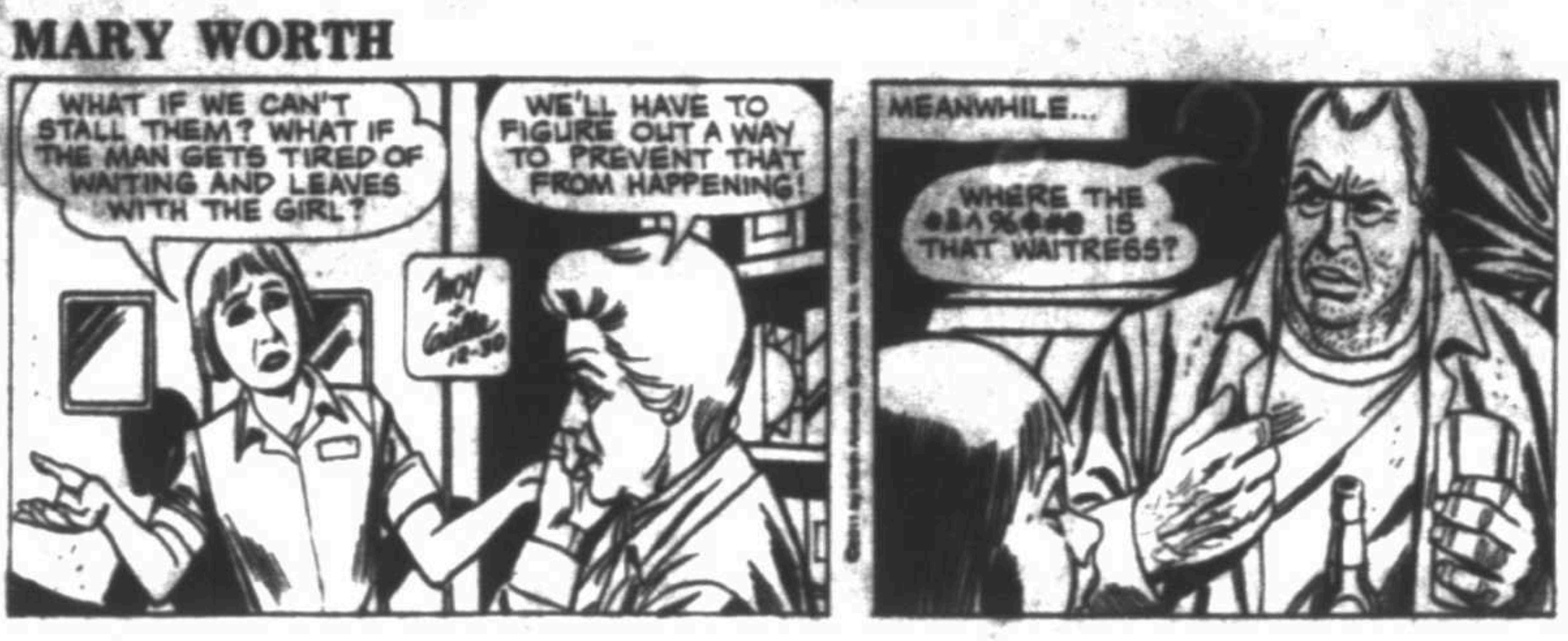
HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


WHERE'S DADDY?
HE SAID HE HAD AN IMPORTANT MEETING AND IT CAN'T WAIT!!
WHERE?
DOWN AT THE TAVERN
12-30

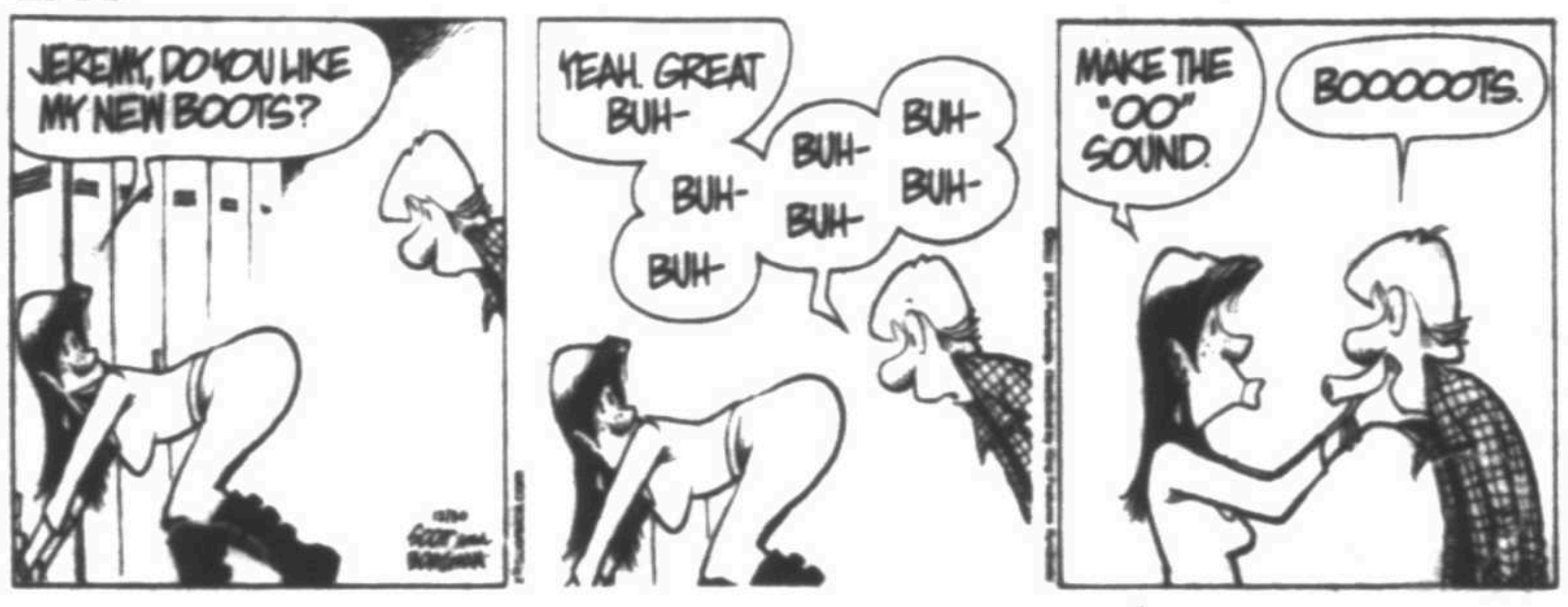
LUANN


WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS SWEATER I GOT FOR CHRISTMAS?
NICE! VERY FLATTERING. SHOWS REAL CLASSY TASTE
I JUST CAN'T IMAGINE EVER WEARING IT. YOU DON'T THINK IT'S KINDA YUCKY?
NO! IT'S REALLY CUTE! WHY DON'T YOU WANNA WEAR IT?
MY BROTHER GAVE IT TO ME
OH. DONATE IT TO GOODWILL
12-30

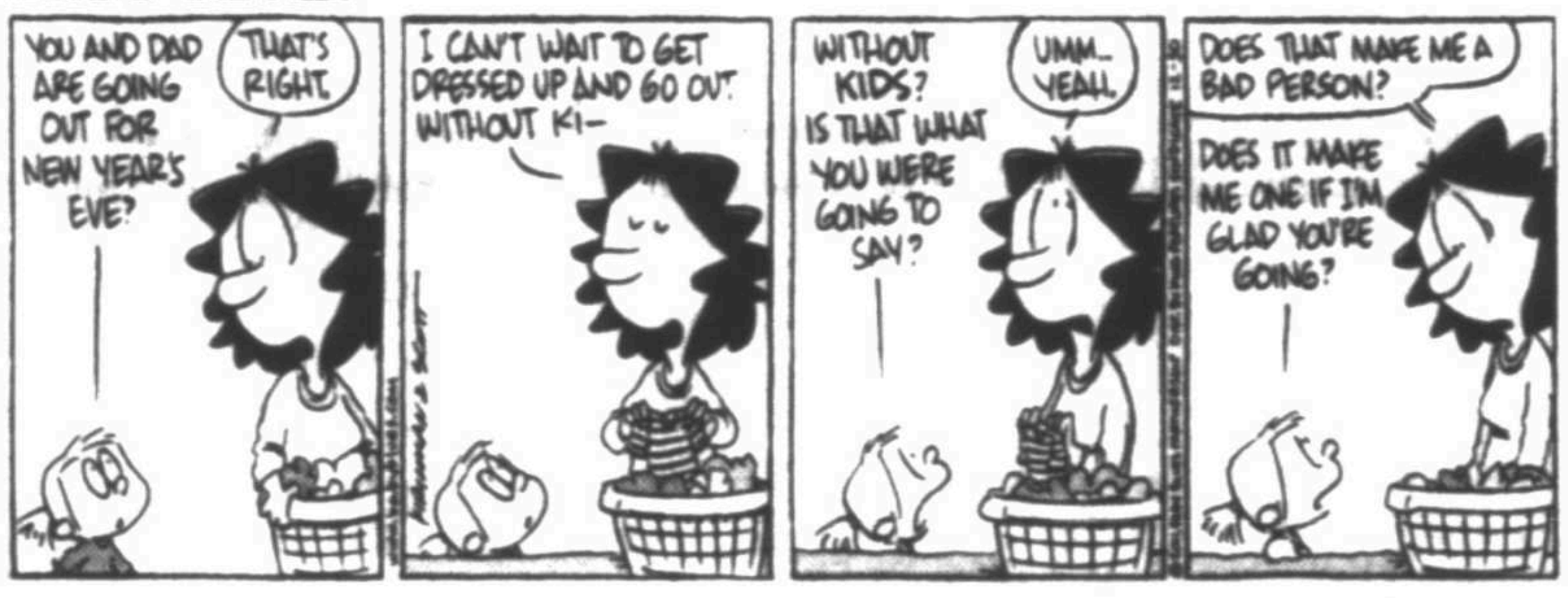
MARY WORTH


WHAT IF WE CAN'T STALL THEM? WHAT IF THE MAN GETS TIRED OF WAITING AND LEAVES WITH THE GIRL?
WE'LL HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING!
MEANWHILE...
WHERE THE #&%$#@ IS THAT WAITRESS?
12-30

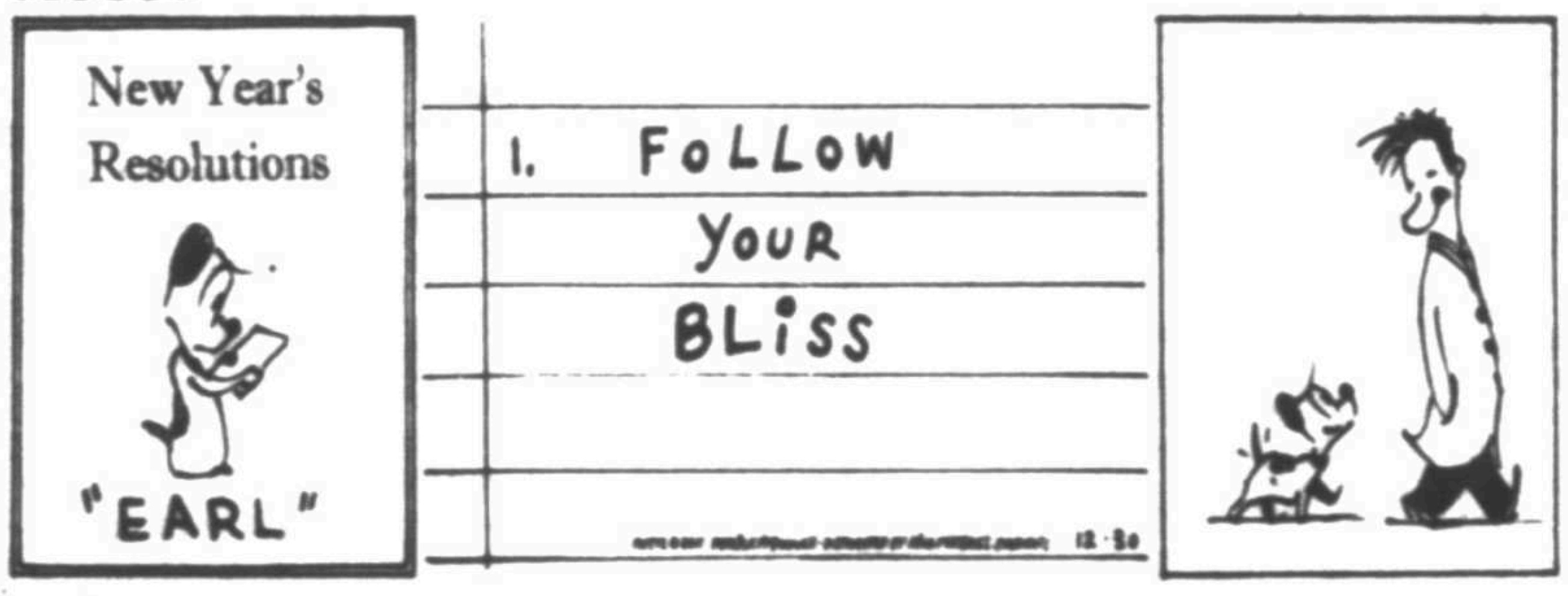
ZITS


JEREMY, DO YOU LIKE MY NEW BOOTS?
YEAH. GREAT BUH-
BUH-
BUH-
BUH-
BUH-
BUH-
BUH-
MAKE THE "OO" SOUND.
BOOOOOTS.

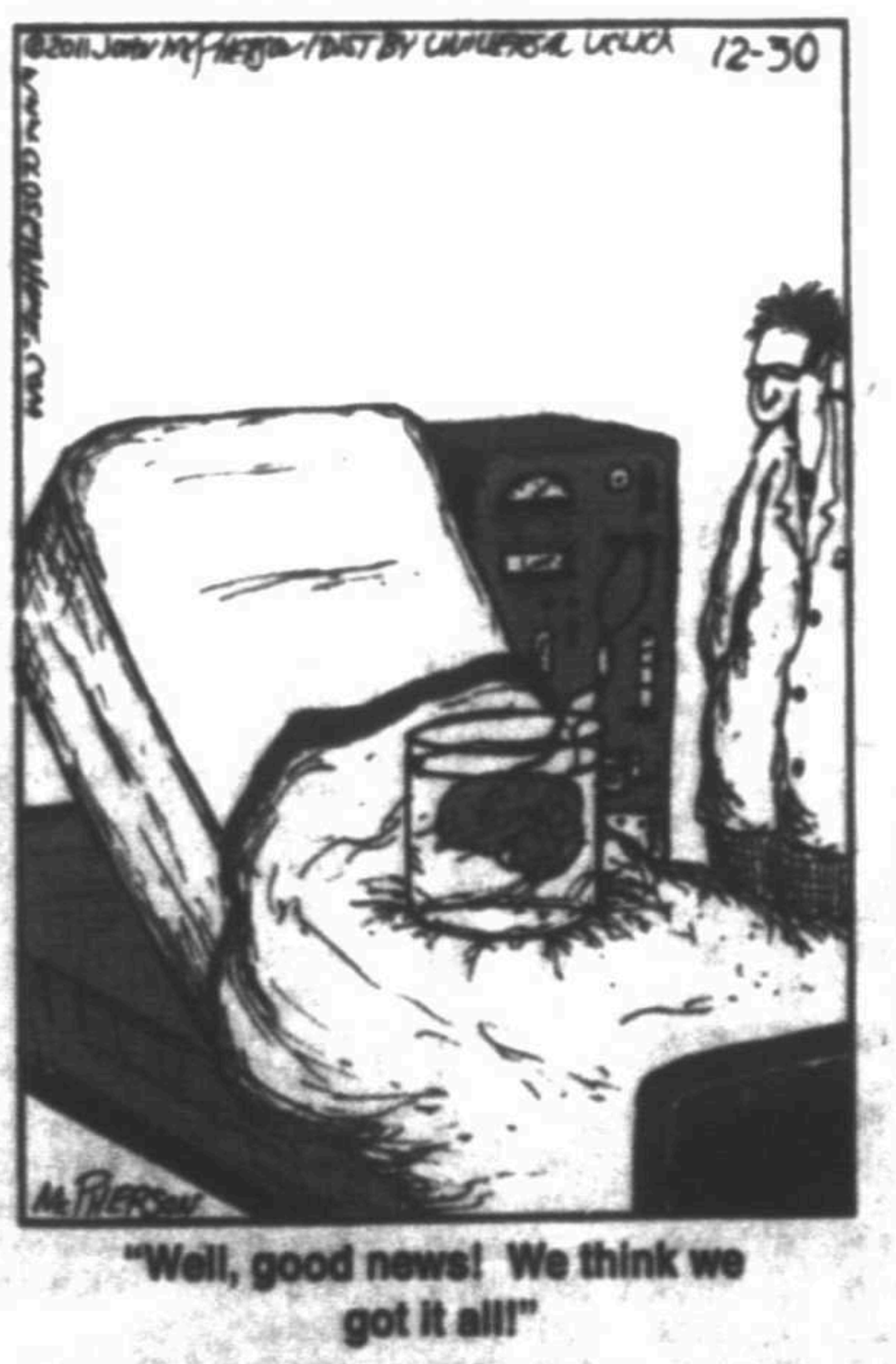
BABY BLUES


YOU AND DAD ARE GOING OUT FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE?
THAT'S RIGHT.
I CAN'T WAIT TO GET DRESSED UP AND GO OUT WITHOUT KI-
WITHOUT KIDS? IS THAT WHAT YOU WERE GOING TO SAY?
UMM... YEAH.
DOES THAT MAKE ME A BAD PERSON?
DOES IT MAKE ME ONE IF I'M GLAD YOU'RE GOING?

MUTTS


New Year's Resolutions
"EARL"
1. FOLLOW YOUR BLISS
12-30

CLOSE TO HOME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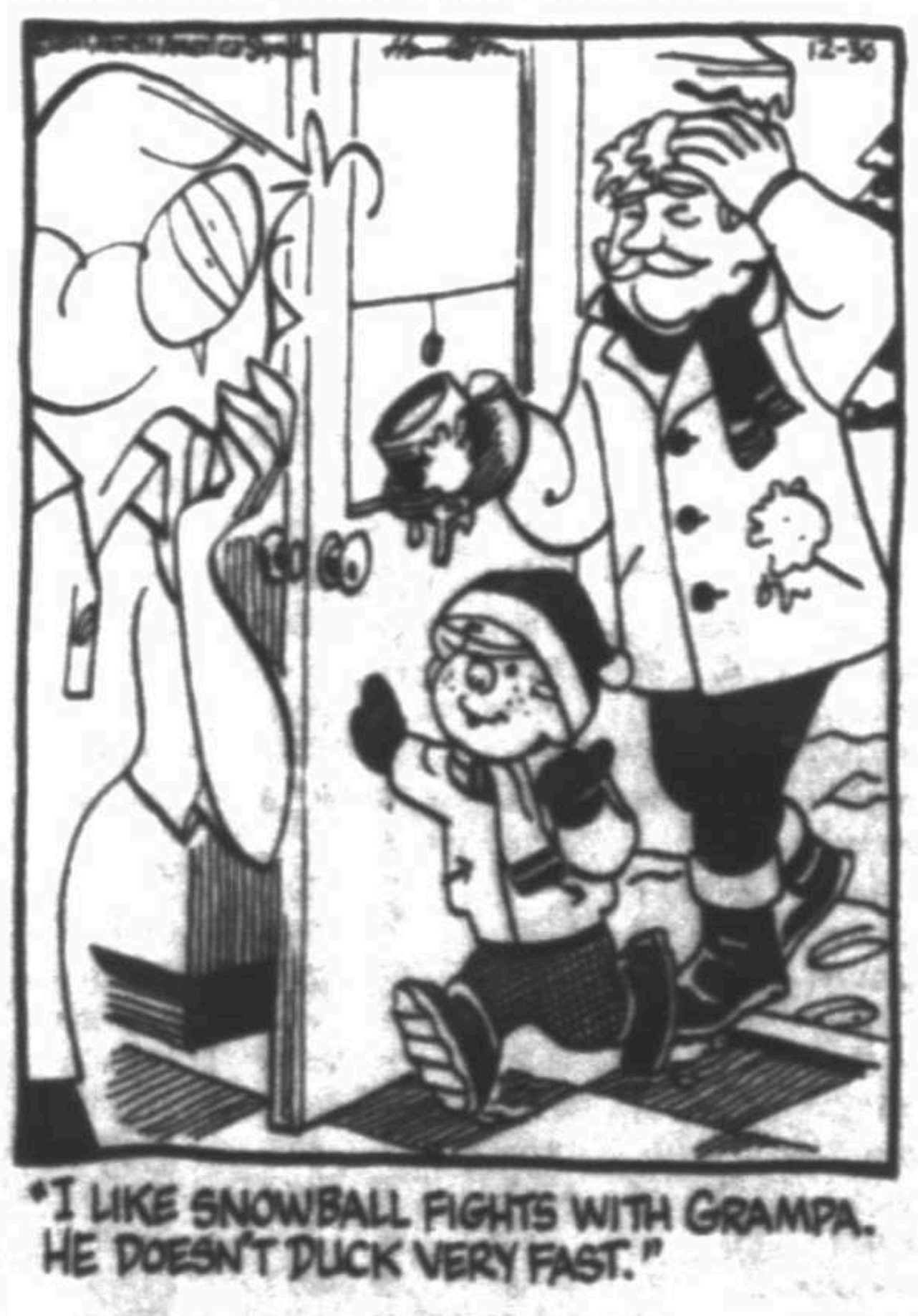
McPHERSON

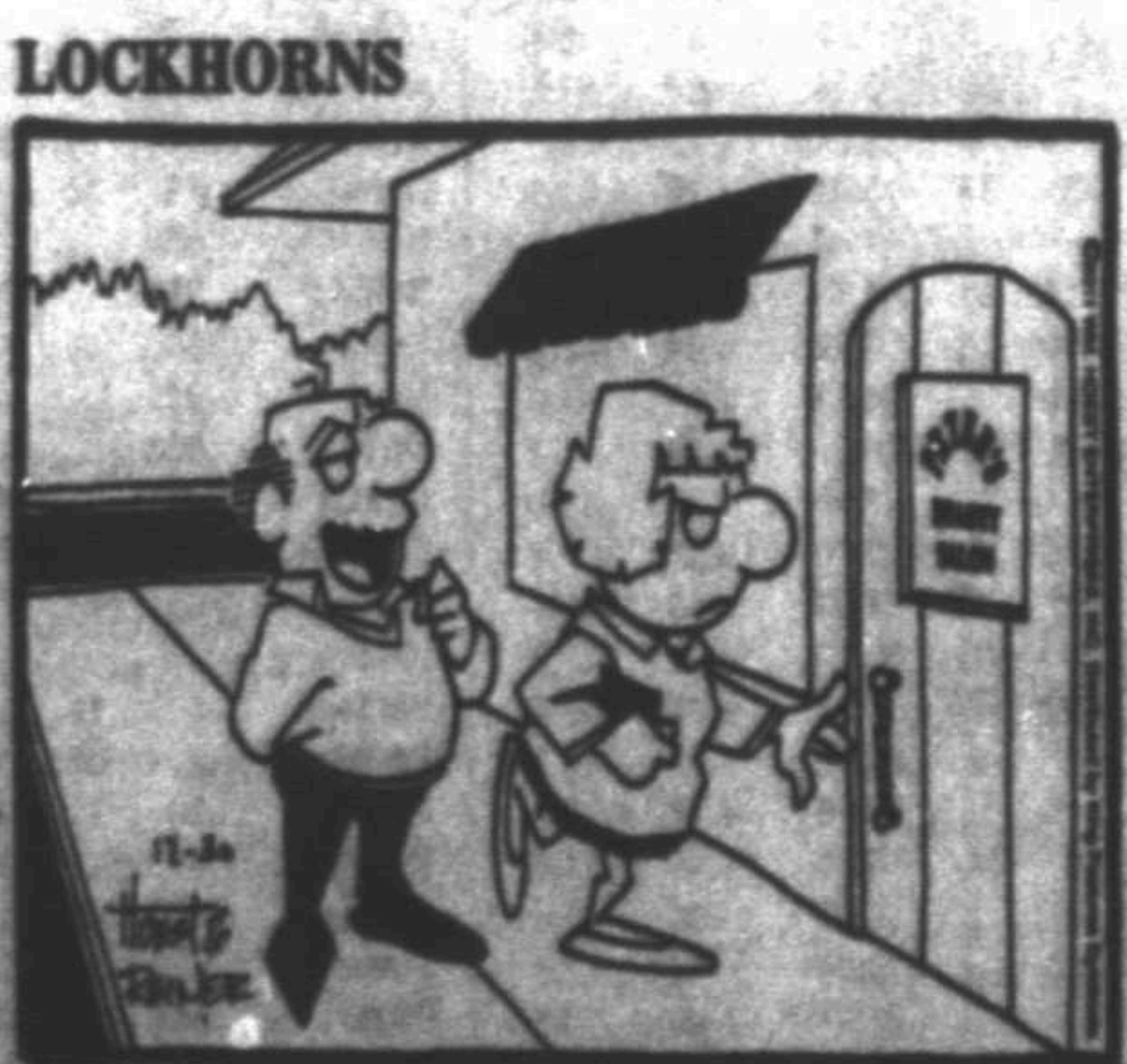
"Well, good news! We think we got it all!"

DENNIS THE MENACE



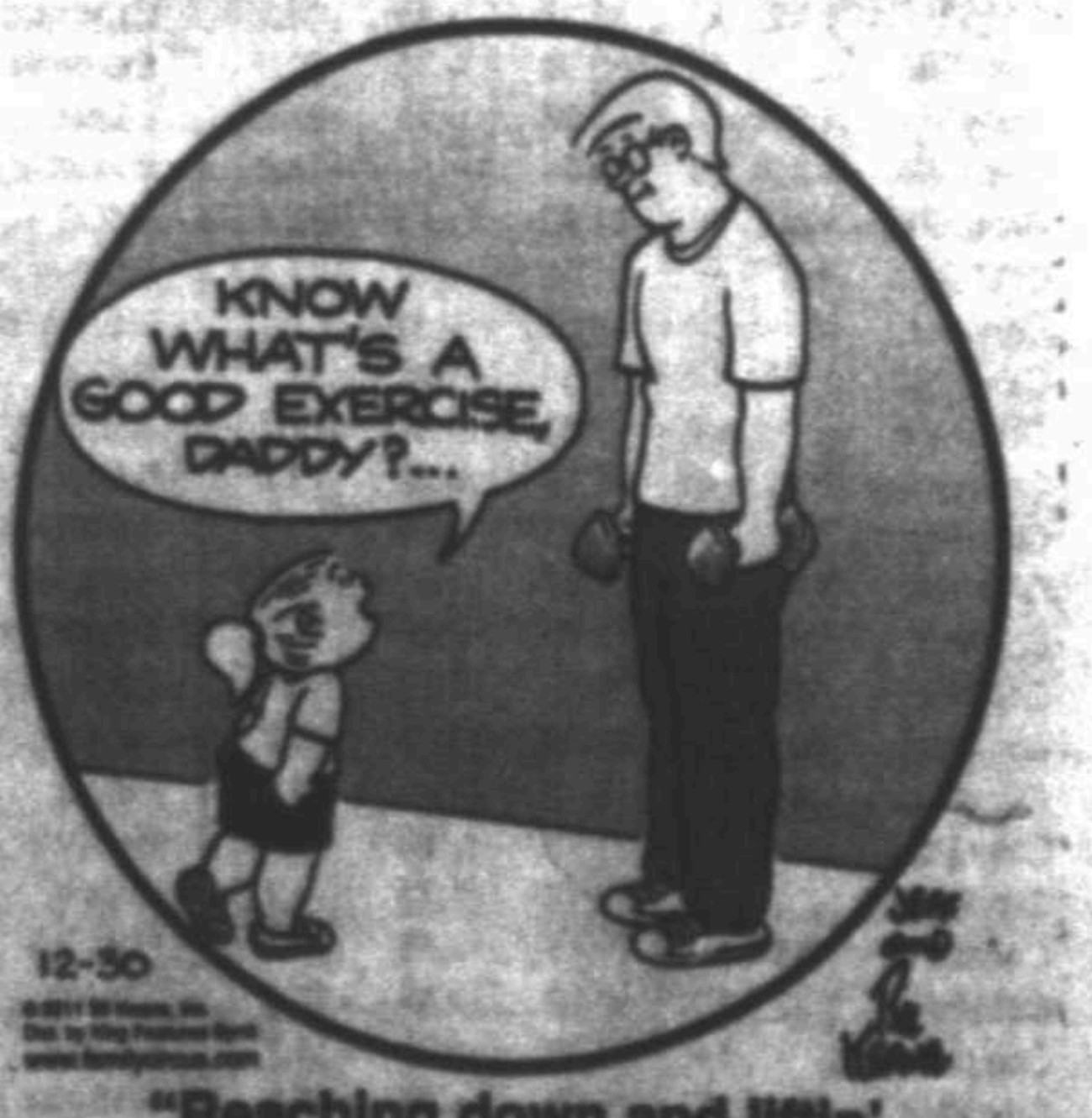
"I LIKE SNOWBALL FIGHTS WITH GRAMPA. HE DOESN'T DUCK VERY FAST."

LOCKHORNS



"AH . . . THE FIELD OF BATTLE!"

FAMILY CIRCUS


KNOW WHAT'S A GOOD EXERCISE, DADDY?...
12-30

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Bluestem Energy Holdings, LLC is hereby giving Notice of Intent to Move in Equipment and Spud the Evans G #1 well located 1650' FNL and 2310' FEL, Section 8, Blk X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas, within the City Limits of Midland. This notice is given pursuant to a requirement of the City of Midland Under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23, labeled "Ordinance No. 6769", more particularly found under Section L (7), effective January 1, 2010.

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DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 22, 2011
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Feb 2, 2012
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Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0273888
Status/Permit No. 729192

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 2, Bk. 37 T4S, T&P RR CO / BOYKIN, H F Survey, A-654, AZALEA (ATOKA) and SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Fields, MIDLAND County, being 21.4 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: AZALEA (ATOKA)

Lease/Unit Name : DRIVER 'A'
Lease/Unit Well No. : 5
Lease/Unit Acres : 239.7-
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 551.0

Lease Lines : 937.0 F NORTH L, 551.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 1707.0 F SOUTH L, 1867.0 F WEST L

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : DRIVER 'A'
Lease/Unit Well No. : 5
Lease/Unit Acres : 239.7
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 551.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 1054.0

Lease Lines : 937.0 F NORTH L, 551.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 1707.0 F SOUTH L, 1867.0 F WEST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) AZALEA (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

AZALEA (ATOKA) : OIL Special Rules 933/1867, 160.0 acres.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

AZALEA (STRAWN) : GAS Special Rules 660/2640, 320.0 acres.
OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, TAMMY SMITH, at (972) 444-9001.

Lost & Found

FOUND A Horse, call to identify. 432-563-2264 or 432-559-9796.

FOUND YOUNG mixed breed dog. Found on Cardinal/Midland Dr. Call 432-349-5549.

$500 REWARD. Pick of the 1st liter for the return or information leading to the return of my Bull Mastiff female, 9 months old, 75LB. Wearing a light colored camouflage collar. Lost 9 miles North East of Stanton. Call 432-270-0360.

LOST BLACK and white female Border Collie. Name Sidney. Please call 559-4248 or 559-6866.

LOST HUSKY MIX SMALL female. Old Lamesa Rd & I-20. 432-557-8365 or 432-638-4206

Meetings

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1600 W. Wall
Stated Communication,
2nd & 4th Tues.
@ 7:30pm,
432-557-6041
Mike Patton, W.M.
Ed Wilson Sec
Did you know John Paul Jones was a Master Mason?

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Call the Classified Dept. 682-6222 to place ad

Business Center

Business Opportunity

WELL ESTABLISHED Successful Franchise business. Owner Retiring. Send serious inquiries to P.O. BOX 8205 Midland, Texas 79708.

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

2008 ES 350 Lexus, black exterior, cashmere interior, fully loaded. 57k miles. $25,000. 425-7769

Passenger Cars

► NEW TODAY! ◄

BMW 1987 535is. White w/red leather. Good condition, must see. All service records. $3,550 694-7564/352-4054.

BMW 2003 330ci 104500 miles. 2 door, 5-Speed transmission good condition, Silver Gray Metallic exterior, Black interior, WBABN53493JU29218 2WD All options. Loaded. $11,000 call 432-889-8279

BUICK 1999 Park Avenue Ultra. 107k miles, very nice car. $3500 Call 432-664-4690.

BUICK 2005 LeSabre Limited, beautiful car. Call 432-699-2054

CHEVROLET 1972 Chevelle drag race car. Complete body and drive tran. $9,000. 556-9945.

CHEVROLET 2002 Z28 convertible, 24K, looks and drives new, garaged, non smoker. $12,900. 685-4013.

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Passenger Cars

FORD 2007 Fusion SE, V6, dark blue, 104K, Good condition. $8,500. 432-556-1901

FORD 2010 Fusion SE. Charcoal, 4 dr. pwr, 44k. Great car! $13,500. 262-2024

► NEW TODAY! ◄

HONDA 2000 Prelude with 114k, silver, super nice. $6,275. Call 432-682-1706.

LINCOLN 1998 Continental. V8, leather, loaded, 127k miles, $1900. 432-664-4690.

NISSAN 2010 Altima Silver, 4 dr, auto, 2.5L, 47k. Excellent car! $15,000. 218-9941

PONTIAC 2001 Grand AM GT. V6, very sporty, $1900. Call 432-664-4690.

SATURN 1998 SL2, 4 door, automatic, 30+ mpg, $1300. Call 432-664-4690

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Passenger Cars

SATURN 2004 ION, 4 dr Sedan, 193,995 mi. Engine runs well, needs transmission and other work, interior poor/exterior good. Great car for parts. AS IS, $900. Call 432-528-7024 if no answer leave message

TOYOTA 1986 Celica GT, nds motor. Make offer. 432-889-8513

TOYOTA 1998 Corolla, nice car, 105k mi. 35+ mpg, $2300. Call 432-664-4690

TOYOTA 2002 AVALON SLX, loaded, Desert Sand, 1 owner, garage kept, $9000. 349-6254, 934-4610.

TOYOTA 2010 Camry Hybrid 23,000 miles, like new condition, $21,500 432-230-7994 reinhwb@hotmail.com

WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars & pickups. 432-685-4078

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Hybrid

TOYOTA 2006 Prius Hybrid. 35k miles, navigation, leather, rear back up camera, garaged, new tires, 1 owner. $14,975 432-978-9335.

TOYOTA 2008 Prius white, loaded, plus navigation. $14,975, 82k mi. 684-6666

Exotic Cars

230" R.E.D. Dragster rave ready. $25,000 obo. 28' tag along enclosed pace trailer, $22,500. 559-0600.

Antique & Vintage

FORD 1966 Thunderbird, perfect condition, reduced price, $11000 obo, 432-694-1429.

FORD 1978 150 Pickup XLT interior and race track trim. Call for info, 432-889-4413.

Pickup Trucks

CHEVROLET 2004 LS 2500 HD, 4 dr., long bed, good condition 92k miles. Asking $9,500. Serious inquires only please. 432-894-5728

CHEVROLET 2004 Silverado Super Cab LS V6, 84k miles, bedliner, new tires, $9500 Call 432-889-9374.

CHEVY 1991 SILVERADO Ext Cab, c/shell, good condition, $3500, 432-262-0673.

CHEVY 2004 2500 HD great cond/clean, extras, 103k, $12,000 firm, 432-238-4825.

CHEVY 2008 COLORADO Crew Cab. Must sell, $15,500 OBO, 556-6947.

FORD 1995 F350 crew cab, long bed, automatic, great work truck $1500. 432-664-4690

Ford 2001 F150, single cab, long bed, V8 automatic, 61k miles. $5,600. 432-934-2318.

FORD 2003 F350 Super Crew Lariat. 130k miles, will financing, $12,800. 661-0173

FORD 2006 F150 SuperCrew XLT, Black with gray interior. Nice truck, 87K mi., 3-year transferrable warranty available. $15,500. Pictures @ www.chipmccarver.com 432-553-9972.

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TOYOTA 1995 Tacoma. $3,995. 432-967-2285 or 432-522-2155.

Passenger Cars

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432 577 5900

2008 BMW 335i
Silver/Gray
Prem pkg., sport pkg., Logic 7 sound system, heated seats 22k miles

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2009 CHEVROLET MALIBU LTZ
Wht/Tan, Heated Seats, Moon roof, 38k miles

[illegible]

2008 MERCEDES BENZ C300
Sand Beige/Cashmere, Prem. Pkg.II, Multi-Media Pkg., Fold Down Rear Seats Heated Seats - 73k miles

[illegible]

2008 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE LS3
Blk/Blk, auto trans
9k miles

[illegible]

(2) 2011 BMW 328i
Premium Value Package
Heated Seats

[illegible]

2007 BMW 525i
Wht/Tan, Prem. Pkg., Moon Roof, 55k Miles, CPO 6Yrs. or 100k Miles

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Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
.OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 15, 2011
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jan 26, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No. 08-0273777
Status/Permit No. 729382

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 2, Bk. , ANDREWS, J M Survey, A-563, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 6.1 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jan 26, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : MUSIC 'A'
Lease/Unit Well No. : 2
Lease/Unit Acres : 82.3
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 660.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 1334.0

Lease Lines : 660.0 F NORTH L, 660.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 660.0 F NORTH L, 660.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) BETTY SUE (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

BETTY SUE (STRAWN) : OIL Special Rules 467/1200, 160.0 acres.
OIL Optional Rules 467/1200, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11310 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, PATRICIA CHi, at (972) 969-3725.

Pickup Trucks

FORD 2008 F-250, super duty, crew cab, power stroke V-8 diesel, tow package, power seats, power tow mirrors, power windows, audiophile AM-FM, CD, Sirius, premium stereo package, Pueblo gold metalic with tan interior, 53K miles, some warranty remaining, Yokohama new tires & factory alloy wheels, still smells & looks new! NADA $32,900 give away price $27,900.
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT & PUBLISHING

Promotion Manager

KPEJ TV FT

KPEJ TV (FOX WEST TEXAS) has a rare opening for a talented Promotion Manager. If you consider yourself an expert with Adobe Photoshop, After Effects and Final Cut Pro, then we are looking for you. This position will create and edit promotional and commercial production spots for KPEJ-TV, as well as maintaining creative on our website and digital display. We are looking for that individual who thinks big and has a keen eye for creating spots and promotional campaigns that will make a splash, both on air and online. If you are that person, please send your resume to Kyle King. kking@kpejtv.com No phone calls please. KPEJ TV is an equal opportunity employer.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Administrative Assistant

Secorp Industries FT

Oilfield Service Company located in Odessa, TX. has an immediate opening for an Administrative Assistant. Duties include: answering telephone, processing new employees, invoicing, purchase orders and payroll. Proficient in use of Microsoft Office. Mail or fax resume and salary requirements to: PO Box 53912, Lafayette, LA 70505-3912 Phone: 337-237-3471 Fax – 337-235-6278 Email – brandon.hebert@secorpindustries.com.

AP/PO Clerk

Company Confidential FT

Experience in QB and MS office. Comp salary and benefits. Resumes by 1-10-12 to fax: 432-685-1745 or PO Box 10494 Midland TX 79702 or appoclerk@gmail.com

Bookkeeper

Confidential FT

Full time Bookkeeper needed for a very casual office. General bookkeeping experience and Quickbooks would be helpful. Please fax resume, references and salary requirements to Paula at 682-8416.

Payroll Assistant

Confidential FT

Payroll assistant needed for busy drilling company. Excellent data entry skills, proficient in Excel and 10 key by touch. Must be organized and able to work well with others. Payroll experience a plus. Excellent company benefits. Send resume to 432-617-3207 Attn: Payroll

Receptionist-Fulltime

Ellis Funeral Home FT

Duties include answering phones, running errands and general clerical. Hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm. Come by 801 Andrews Highway to fill out an application.

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Commercial Workers Needed

L & L Construction FT

Drywall mechanics, hangers, trim carpenters and labors. Must be dependable with a neat appearance. Pay based on experience. Apply in person M-F 10-2, 619 W Texas, Ste 106, 570-4879.

Construction Help

Campbell Construction Co. FT

Campbell Construction Company seeking a Superintendent, Carpenter and Laborer. Pre-employment drug test required. Good Benefits & Salary DOE. Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland or send resume to PO Box 11293, Midland, TX 79702 or fax to (432)683-5943.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Cashier/Customer Service

Midland College Bookstore is taking applications for temporary cashiers and floor clerks to work the spring semester rush starting January 3. Successful applicants should be customer service oriented and have prior cash register and/or cash handling experience. Attention to detail is a must. Applications are available at Midland College Bookstore. No Phone Calls Please.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

H2S Safety Technicians

Secorp Industries FT

Established Oilfield Service Company located in Odessa, TX. has immediate openings for H2S Safety Technicians. Oilfield experience a plus. Mechanical abilities and medical certification helpful. Job consists of both shop and field work, must be able to work extended hitches on locations. Good Driving Record and Reliable transportation recommended. Include references and salary requirements on resume. Send Resume and Salary Requirements to PO Box 53912, Lafayette, LA 70505-3912 Phone: 337-237-3471 Fax – 337-235-6278 Email – brandon.hebert@secorpindustries.com

Oil Field Cable Spooler

Horizon Cable FT

Willing to train the right person. Must have or be able to obtain a Class B CDL. Uniforms and benefits available after 90 days of employment. Please apply in person: Horizon Cable 12215 WCR 129, Odessa, TX. 79765 Between 8am - 4pm or call 432-563-5552.

Tubing Tester

Confidential FT

Experienced Tubing Tester. CDL with tank endorsement required. Call 432-557-2809 or 432-557-2807.

HEALTHCARE

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT and LVN

Midland Community Healthcare Services is hiring. Qualified candidates are well-rounded, detail oriented, able to multi-task in a fast paced environment, and possess excellent phone and customer service skills. Cross training with the other departments, computer skills, competency in Microsoft Office, and adaptability to technological changes are required. Complete Benefits Package Offered.

Interested applicants can print an application at **www.midlandchs.org** and fax it to **432-699-3815**, or come by our office at **600 N. Marienfeld, Ste. 1090, Midland.**

FRONT DESK CLERK

Seeking an experienced Front Desk Clerk for a busy physicians office, this will be a fulltime position (MSO5000) Please fax or mail your resume to ATTN: Alesha McCoy P.O. Box 5291 Midland, TX 79704 or fax to 432-682-2284. NO WALK-IN'S PLEASE.

General Dentist

Confidential FT/PT

High volume Dental office seeking motivated General Dentist for immediate hire. Established patent base (Medicaid/CHIP, insurance and cash), all aspects of dentistry. Strong earnings opportunity in both Midland and Odessa offices. Please contact by email, careers@midlandmalldental.com

MEDICAL ASSISTANT

Looking for an experienced Medical Assistant for a busy physicians office for a PRN position (PCB5053). Please fax or mail your resume to ATTN: Alesha McCoy P.O. Box 5291 Midland, TX 79704 or fax to 432-682-2284. NO WALK-IN'S PLEASE.

MEDICAL RECORDS CLERK

Busy medical facility needs a responsible Medical Records Clerk(PP-5276). Responsibilities include data transfer of medical records to electronic health records. Applicant should be detailed oriented. Will train the right person. Growth opportunities with employer. Fax or mail resume to 432-682-2284 or mail to P.O. Box 5291 Midland, TX 79704 Attn: Alesha McCoy. NO WALK-IN'S PLEASE OR PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

Personal Care Attendants

Is needed for the Midland and Odessa area. Apply in person at 1311 West Florida, 79701.

Private Caregivers

HomeCare Plus FT

Now hiring private caregivers. All shifts available. Contact Karen Still at 570-7587 or come by 501 Andrews Hwy in Midland. If you can not pass our drug screening or criminal background check, do not apply.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Various Positions

Travel Lodge #10082 FT/PT

Immediate opening for Housekeepers and Laundry for Day shifts and Front Desk Clerks for rotating shifts. Apply at: 2500 Commerce Dr, Midland, TX.

OTHER JOBS

DATA COLLECTORS

Field Interviewers Aspen of DC/ICF International is seeking Data Collectors for a 5-6 month survey of HUD-assisted households in Brewster, Culberson, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Midland, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler, and Yoakum counties in TX. Collect data and conduct in-person, computer-assisted interviews. Local travel required (costs will be reimbursed). Some weekend and evening hours likely. Flexibility and ability to work independently a must. Computer proficiency required. College degree or 2-3 years experience preferred. Background check will be conducted. Hourly rate $12.75. Must attend 10-day paid training this February in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. You must indicate Cluster 50 in "SUBJECT" line of email, or in cover of fax. Send resume to: E-Mail: HUD@aspenofdc.com Fax: 1-800-883-7023.

OTHER JOBS

Detailers

UNISEAL FT

Detailers needed for Local new car dealership. Used experience is helpful. Good pay. Please call 832-499-9574

Free Tuition Tax School

Liberty Tax Service FT

Earn extra income after taking course. Flexible Schedules, convenient locations. Course start 1/3/2011. Call Liberty Tax Service at 694-1990 or 689-7300. Small fee for books.

Kelly Services Now Hiring:

• **General Laborers** - $10.00 hr. - $12.00 hr. • **Shophands** - must have forklift experience, $14.00 hr. • **Admin.**- requires advanced Excel knowledge, salary DOE • **Medical Receptionist** - temp to hire, $9.00 hr. • **Delivery Driver/Merchandiser** - must have valid DL, $10.00 • **Direct Hire Opportunities** - clerks and store managers. • **Engineering Tech** - $14.50, must have basic understanding of well log data formats. Apply in person at 6 Desta Drive Ste. 1260 or call 432-689-9601. Never an applicant fee. Equal Opportunity Employer.

LAND Gaugers & Production Clerks

ISLAND OPERATING COMPANY is seeking LAND Gaugers with a minimal experience of 3 years, and also production clerks with clerical experience, some knowledge of Excel to be responsible for daily production reporting. These positions will require the candidates to work in the Big Lake, Texas area. Island Operating offers great benefits and pay. All interested parties should contact Kim Istre @ 337-652-2516 for more information on this position. Island Operating Company is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

General

NEWSPAPER STREET CORNER SALES

Midland Reporter-Telegram

Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners
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TOMMY 967-2267

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Clerical - must be computer literate, multi-task, time management, professional, and handle stress well.

Trophy Department - must be computer literate, multi-task, personable, professional, and creative. Corel Draw experience a plus. Apply in person at **2040 W. Cuthbert, Midland, TX 79701.**

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Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk
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Photographers

Lifetouch National Schools Studio FT/PT

LNSS has immediate openings for seasonal/full time photographers. We provide training to prepare our employees to perform exceptional work. Experience is great but not necessary. Must be early riser, have a car and insurance. Background check is required. Great benefits. Please call 432-570-5514 Mon. 2nd - Tues 3rd, 9am to 4pm to set up interview.

Route Person Needed

Jordan Amusements FT

Route Person Needed - Must have valid driver's license, communication skills, trustworthy and pass drug test. Apply in person or fax resume to Jordan Amusement Co. 10100 W. Hwy 80 432-563-2740

Seasonal Sales Position & Parts Head Position

TRACKER BOAT CENTER FT
1920 N Loop 250 W 432-697-3281
Midland, TX 79707 Apply In Person

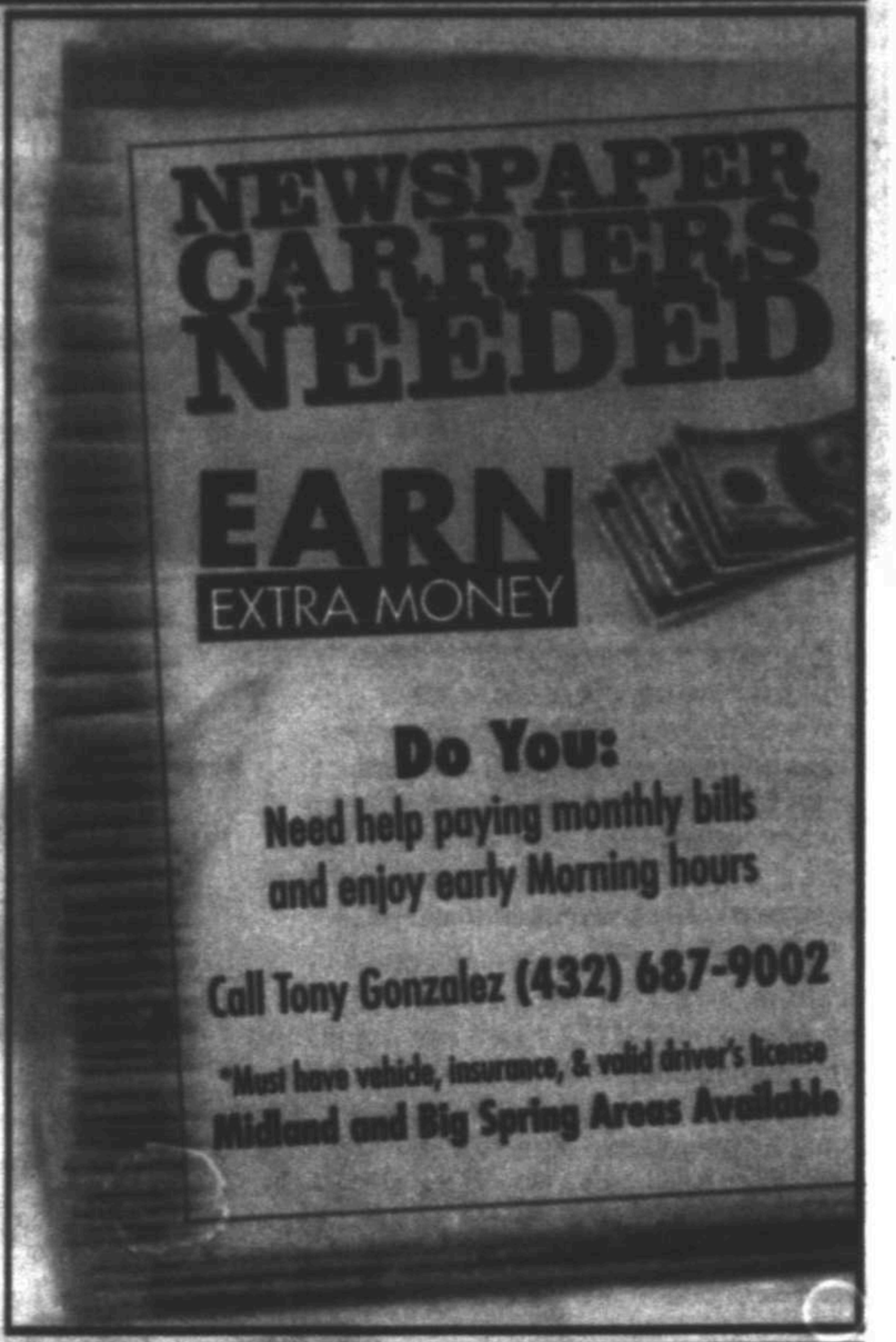
"Will Train" Experience not necessary. Drug screening and background

SERVICE TECH

All Clear Pool Treatment is looking for a **service tech.** Job responsibilities: check level of chemicals in residential swimming pools; then service pool w/ chemicals needed. Requirements: valid DL and able to lift 60lbs. cylinders. Mon-Friday. Hours each day varies on the daily route and your pace. Average hours in the winter months are usually 4-6 per day. Salary - $500/wk; eligible for raise after 90 days. Please apply at **7606 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX.**

Weekend Laundry, Janitorial & Youth Fitness Attendant

YMCA of Midland has PT for weekend laundry and janitorial positions. Apply in person at 800 N. Big Spring. No phone calls please.



NEWSPAPER CARRIERS NEEDED

EARN EXTRA MONEY

Do You:
Need help paying monthly bills and enjoy early Morning hours

Call Tony Gonzalez (432) 687-9002

*Must have vehicle, insurance, & valid driver's license
Midland and Big Spring Areas Available

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All PT/FT Positions

Domino's Pizza, Join the busiest and best Pizza Delivery Co. Now hiring for all PT/FT positions. CSR's, drivers, and shift management. Competitive pay and fun work environment. Drivers earn great tips and full hourly wage. No split wages! Apply at any Midland Domino's Pizza locations. 3300 W. Illinois Ave., 604 N. Big Spring St., 4519 N. Garfield St., 2410 Rankin Hwy.

SALES JOBS

DRIVER-SALESPERSON

Looking for a rock solid company to grow and retire with? **Blue Bell Creameries** is accepting applications for a **full time driver-salesperspn** in the Midland-Odessa Area. Route Sale Experience and Commercial Drivers License helpful. Good driving record required. Will train the right person. Blue Bell is a market leading company with a 104 year proven history. Competitive Salary + benefits. Apply in Person at Workforce Solutions, 3510 North A. Building A.

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Set up and Maintain Accounts

Manage a small sales team

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Average Annual Income
FT 40-50k

Send resume to:

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Sales

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Midland, TX 79701

Position open for person knowledgeable in truck accessories or automotive industry. Salary plus commission, Monday-Friday 7:30 am-5:30 pm, vacation, insurance option. Bilingual a plus. Salary DOE. Send resume to: kerry@fendergroup.com

SKILLED LABOR

Chemist

Environmental Laboratory FT
Fax resume-432-689-6313 0-1 Exp
Midland, TX Bachelor's Degree

Science or Science related field. Fax or email: agomez@traceanaylsis.com

Lead Maintenance

Summerhill Apartments FT

Now hiring **Lead Maintenance.** Must be HVAC certified. Apply in person only at: **3001 North Midland Dr. Midland, TX 79707.**

Licensed Experienced Journeyman Electrician

Now hiring! Email resume with references & salary requirements to: journeymanelectrican-resume@yahoo.com.

Licensed Plumber, Plumber Helpers, Office Assist.

Apply in person at **1101 W. Florida** or fax resume to **682-2939.** Salary DOE. We offer benefits, paid holidays, paid vacation & 401k.

Operator with Class A CDL

Operator with Class A CDL needed for Excavating Company. Contact Jerry Kibodeaux at **254-522-5807.**

RIG HANDS - MIDLAND, TX

Wireline company now hiring! Call **432-894-0712** for an excellent opportunity. We offer top pay, job bonus, insurance, 401k and uniforms. Must have CDL, Haz-Mat a plus, pass drug screen & background check.

Sand Blasters, Painters & Helpers

Accurate, Inc. FT

Hiring sand blasters, painters, helpers. Please call Accurate, Inc. at 432-563-1224 or 512-352-5278 or apply at 9504W CR 127, Midland.

Slickline Operators/Helpers

Diamond D Slickline Service Co. Inc.

Established slickline company is looking for experienced Slickline Operators and Helpers. Valid Drivers License and pass drug & alcohol test. Contact Willie 325-207-6258 or Keith 432-661-8122.

Technician Needed

Jordan Amusements FT

Must have Electronics experience, have valid driver's license, communication skills, trustworthy and pass drug test. Apply in person or fax resume to Jordan Amusement Co. 10100 W. Hwy 80 432-563-2740 fax

Welders

Energy Fabrication FT

Now accepting applications for Welders.Top pay, 401K and paid vacation. Please send resume to: 3750 Kermit Highway, Odessa, TX 79764, or apply in person.

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SKILLED LABOR

TIRE TECHNICIANS

Discount Tire is now hiring! We offer flexible schedules, benefits, and great starting pay. No experience needed; we will train. If you have a great attitude and you are a hard, reliable worker, please apply in person at one of our three Discount Tire Stores: 3100 N. Loop 250 (Midland), 2201 Rankin Highway (Midland), or 4211 Grandview Ave. (Odessa) No phone calls please.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Driver - Day/Night Shifts

Mid-West Transport FT

Mid-West Truck Center Odessa, TX has immediate openings for: ***CDL Drivers.*** Comprehensive Benefits include company paid Health and Life insurance, plus Vision/Dental/401k! **432-355-6760 / 432-209-9484**

CDL/VAC Tank Drivers

Texas Freight Relocators

Must have valid Class A CDL with endorsement. $17/hour-Dayshift. $18/hour-Nightshift. Health, dental and vision benefits after 60 days of employment. Call (432) 684-6000.

Hot Shot Truck Driver

G & W Trucking FT

Hot Shot truck driver wanted in the Midland area. Class A CDL, and drug screen required. Call 800-572-6338 or Texas Work Force Commission for more information. Email: gwtruck@att.net

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Silverline Transportation **432-563-1894**

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver sign-on bonus, medical, life & dental insurance, paid vacation, & 401k. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call for interview or online @ **www.silverlinetx.com** Also hiring for Field Coordinators.

Delivery Driver

Catalyst Oilfield Services **FT/PT**

Delivery Driver needed for oilfield chemical company. CDL with Hazmat required. Excellent pay and benefits. Please call Roman, 432-894-1416.

Drivers

Drivers wanted asap. Class A with Tanker required. Competitive wages. Call 719-859-1569 or 719-859-8449.

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Rule 38 Case No. 08-0274083
Status/Permit No. 730468

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 29, 2011
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Feb 9, 2012
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
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Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 7, Bk. 38 T1N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-272, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MARTIN County, being 15.6 miles NW direction from STANTON, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an-exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Feb 9, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	GLASS '7'
Lease/Unit Well No. :	13
Lease/Unit Acres :	645.2
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	660.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1193.0

Lease Lines :	2140.0 F NORTH L,	660.0 F WEST L
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As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) RK (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) :	Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.
RK (STRAWN) :	OIL Special Rules 467/1200, 80.0 acres. OIL Optional Rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11400 feet.

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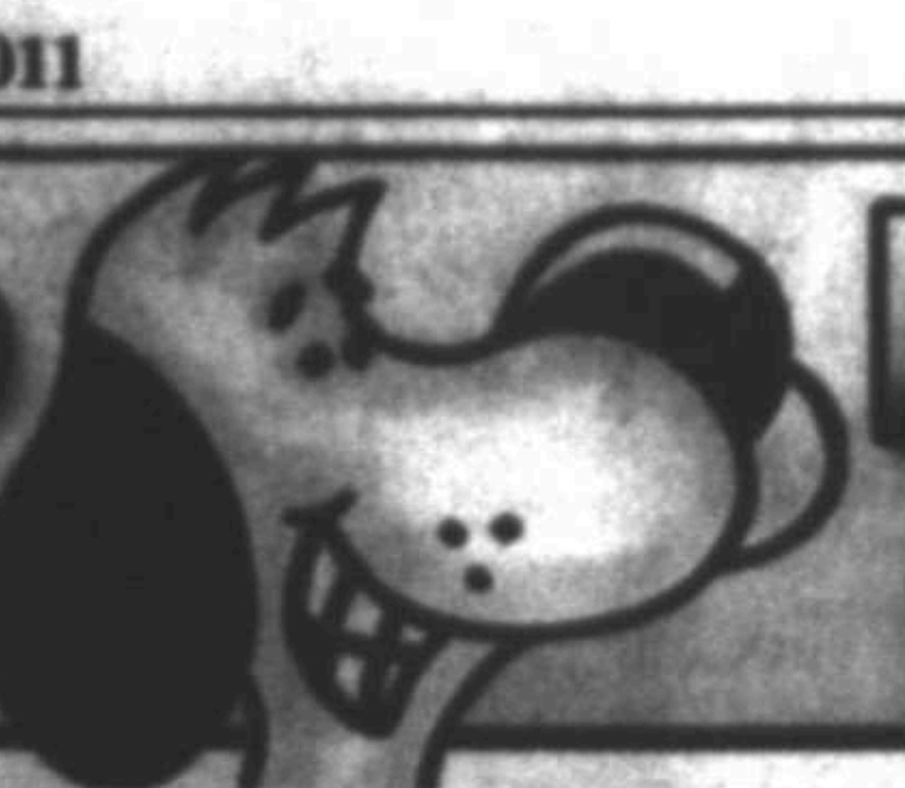

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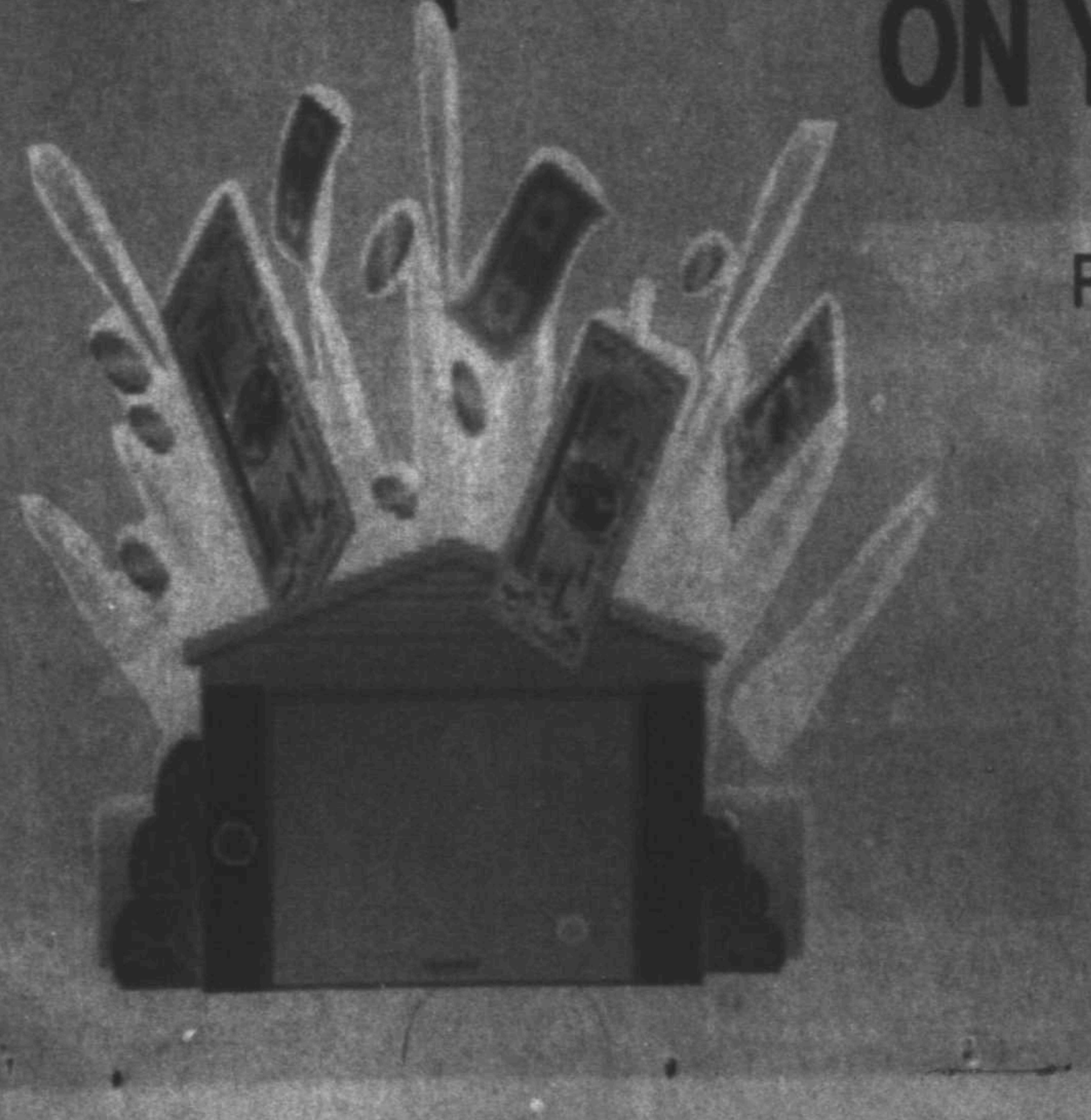

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